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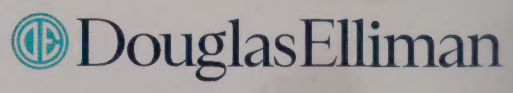

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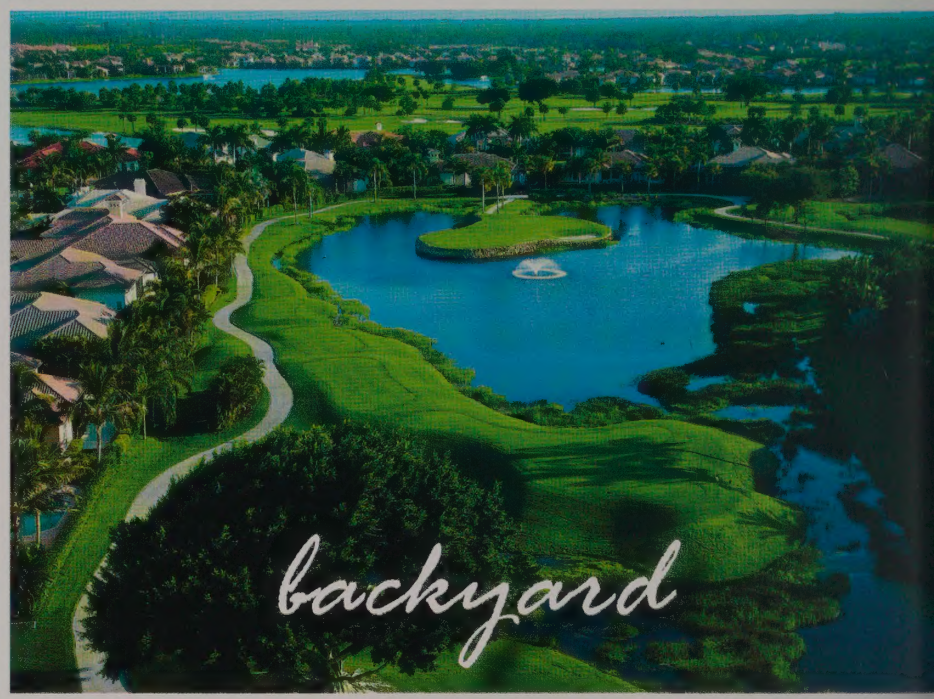

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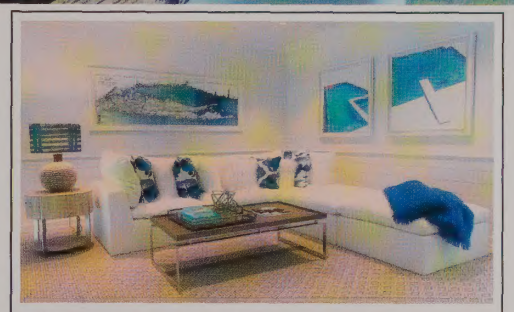

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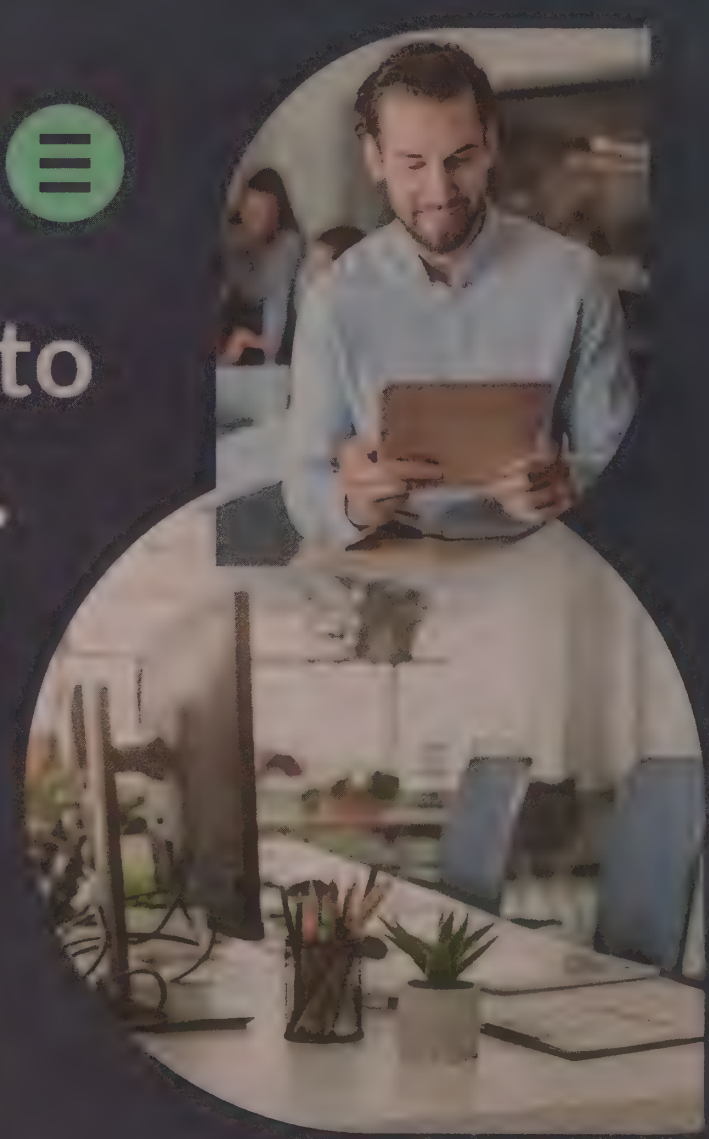

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Why is winter a particularly good time to consider a procedure that a person would want "complete" before summertime in the Hamptons arrives?

From surgical to non-surgical options, winter is the perfect time for men and women to rejuvenate their face and body and achieve the look they desire. This is especially true for women who have lost weight or have had children and would like to turn back the hands of time and re-gain their figure. The Greenberg Modern Mommy Make-Over provides a high-tech solution for women interested in taking action to improve their look. More and more women are having children later in life and their bodies do not bounce back the way they did when they were younger, or after their first pregnancy.

Although diet and exercise are essential, areas such as the lower abdomen where the skin has been stretched and the muscles weakened may never return to "normal". A tummy tuck tightens the abdominal muscles and the skin of both the lower and upper abdomen. The effects on breasts are no less dramatic. This can be improved with breast implants, a breast lift and sometimes a combination of both. Breast reductions are of tremendous benefit to many patients to relieve pain and discomfort. Depending on the severity, insurance may cover a breast reduction procedure and possibly a tummy tuck. Breast augmentation is the number one cosmetic procedure in the United States, and breast augmentation combined with a tummy tuck is a very popular surgical combination.

By creating a highly individualized plan to meet each patient's specific needs and aesthetic goals, we can perform a variety of both surgical and non-surgical procedures to address concerns of the breasts, abdomen, arms and thighs with little to no downtime. Surgical procedures such as breast augmentations, with or without breast lifts, abdominoplasty, liposuction, and Cellulaze for stubborn cellulite, as well as surgical and nonsurgical vaginal rejuvenation, all help to achieve the body you desire. In addition to these body contouring and enhancement procedures, surgical facial procedures are a quick solution that will refresh and restore your look quickly with amazingly little downtime.

What, if any, are the differences in approach when consulting with men and women when it comes to something like skin treatments or a facelift?

Unfortunately, nothing stops the aging process for both men and women—not even a facelift. But a facelift can turn back the aging process by 10 years. Facelifts improve the visible signs of aging by removing excess fat, tightening muscles, and removing extra sagging skin from the face and neck. Facelifts will correct and tighten both the skin and deeper muscular layers of the face. Facelift surgery will make you look younger but will not give you a totally different look.

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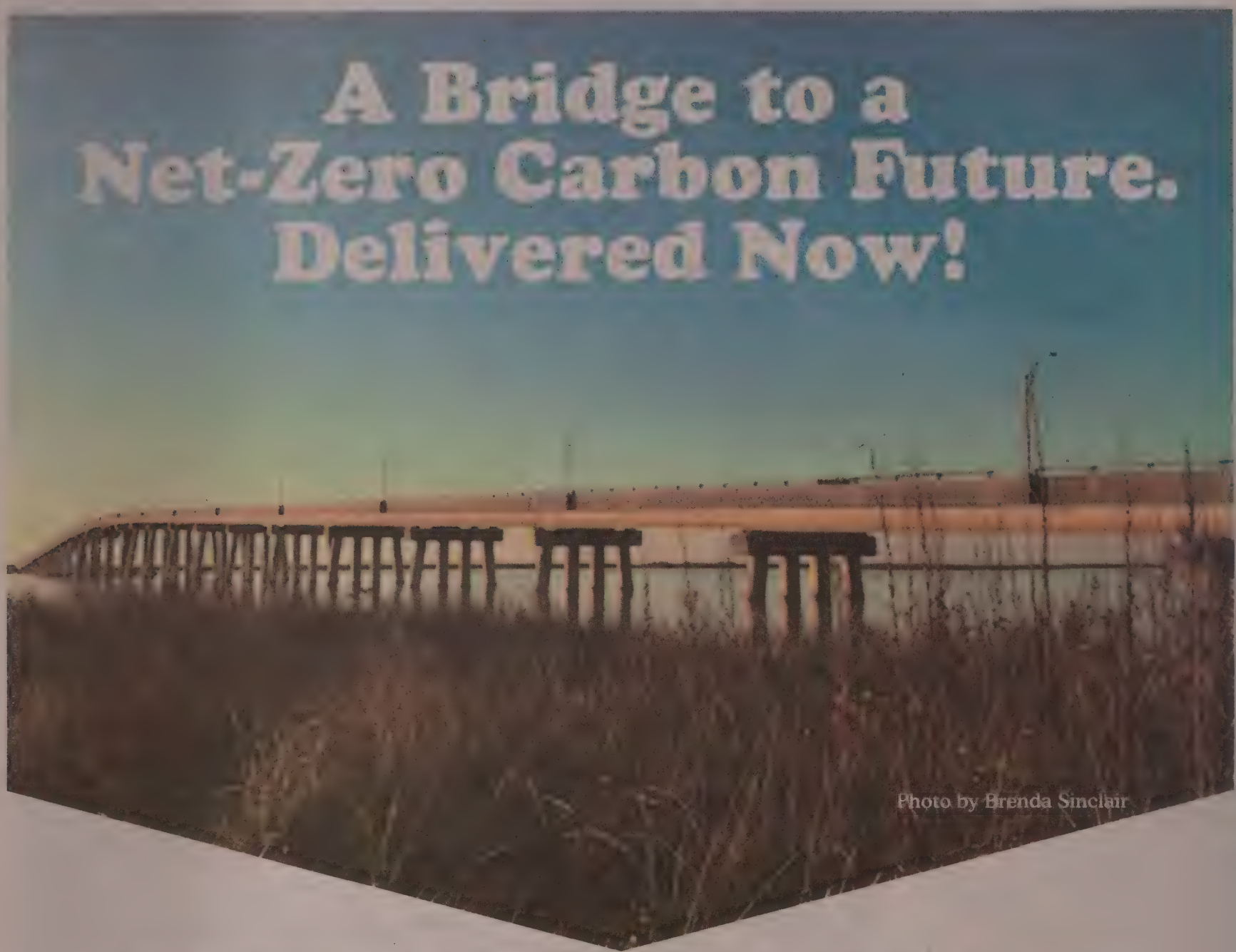

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Q. I've "retired" my gold Rolex and my Patek for an Apple watch to track my steps. Does it make sense to keep insuring these watches if I don't wear them every day?

A. Yes! Insure them! Engagement rings, large statement pieces, and watches should always be insured. To reduce the rate, I recommend placing such items in a bank vault. However, be sure to contact your insurance company each time you take a piece out of the vault. Most high-net-worth carriers will allow you to remove items from the vault three times during the policy period at no charge.

AGENT TIP: Put it in writing. Email the insurance company when you remove it from the bank and when you return it. When a piece of jewelry is outside of the vault, store it in a home safe and at a location with an alarm system. Also, most insurance companies offer discounts to customers with home alarms and safes.

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KELSEY GRAMMER, JULIA STILES, COLMAN DOMINGO AND AUSTIN STARK AT "THE GOD COMMITTEE" PREMIERE AFTER PARTY

BY FLO ANTHONY

Bridgehampton director **Austin Stark**'s critically acclaimed film *The God Committee* — starring **Kelsey Grammer**, **Julia Stiles** and *Euphoria*'s **Colman Domingo** — was released on Netflix on January 12. The movie is about the politics of organ transplants — who gets a new heart and who doesn't. Grammer, who plays a doctor with a heart condition in the film, said, "I have done some parts for a little spending money, but not this one. I was moved by the part and convinced my director, Austin Stark, to give me the lead role instead of the supporting one he had originally offered me."

She's back! Wainscott homeowner **Star Jones** is replacing **Faith Jenkins** as the new judge on *Divorce Court*. Jenkins, who replaced **Lynn Toler** on the syndicated show in 2020, was only there for two seasons. Her episodes, which were taped last year, will continue to air until September. The current run of *Divorce Court* began in 1999 with Judge **Mablean Ephriam**, who now hosts her own judge show, prior to Toler taking over in 2006 for 14 seasons. *Divorce Court* will be the second judge show to star Jones, who was previously an attorney and New York City homicide prosecutor. She hosted *Jones & Jury* back in the 1990s. In a statement, Jones said, "I will offer the parties before *Divorce Court*, as well as viewers, a no-nonsense approach to the law."

There's a lot of romance happening on *Summer House*. First, nearly four months after getting married, **Kyle Cooke** and **Amanda Batula** took a four-day honeymoon over the weekend of January 7, to the U.S. Virgin Islands' St. John, according to *Page Six*. "Newlywed life has been great, but we haven't had a minute to go on a single vacation or take a day off because of Loverboy's expansion," Cooke told the outlet. Loverboy is the newlyweds' successful alcoholic beverage brand. In other love news about the reality show which follows a group of nine friends who rent a house in the Hamptons, cast members **Lindsay Hubbard** and **Carl Radke** are back together. Hubbard confirmed their relationship in an interview with *Page Six* on January 12. "We are definitely dating," she said, but added that they don't use the traditional "girlfriend/boyfriend" labels. The couples have starred on all six seasons of the Bravo series. Hubbard and Radke's new romance is featured on the sixth season of *Summer House*, which premiered January 17.

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Tongues are wagging that Southampton resident **Micah McLaurin**, who has played concerts at Lincoln Center as well as with the

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LINDSAY HUBBARD AND CARL RADKE IN SOUTHAMPTON

Cleveland and Philadelphia Orchestras, is releasing a new arrangement of Lady Gaga's hits "Paparazzi" and "Bad Romance" on YouTube in February. His music video, called "Lady Gaga Medley," will feature costumes by **Zaldy**, who works with East Hampton's **Beyoncé**' and **Kesha**, and who designs gowns for **RuPaul** on *RuPaul's Drag Race*.

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We Hear...

Tony Award nominee **John Earl Jelks** is set to star as Matt/William alongside previously announced Emmy Award winner **Debra Messing**'s Ernestine in *Birthday Candles*, which will begin preview performances on Friday, March 18 and officially open on Sunday, April 10 at the American Airlines Theatre on Broadway. A Hamptons resident and award-winning television star, Messing was last seen on Broadway in **John Patrick Shanley**'s play *Outside Mullingar* in 2014.

Arab News, the leading Saudi newspaper published in Saudi Arabia and the Persian Gulf, has appointed the Hampton Synagogue's Senior Orthodox Rabbi **Marc Schneier** as a regular columnist for the paper. "This is another expression of the change that the Middle East is undergoing towards Jews and Israel," the rabbi told *Ynet*. The rabbi will publish articles on current affairs twice a month. Schneier is the first rabbi to write for a Saudi newspaper on a regular basis. He told *Ynet* he is not surprised: "It is part of the whole process of change and transformation that is happening in the Gulf."

Ramona Singer, who owns a home in Southampton, has bought a new apartment in West Palm Beach, where she's spending the winter season when she's not filming *The Real Housewives of New York City*. Singer joined her friend, philanthropist **Jean Shafiroff** of Southampton for lunch in Palm Beach, among other Hamptons residents escaping the East End's frigid temperatures, including *Dan's Papers* publisher **Victoria Schneps**.

Sightings...

Bridgehampton's **Madonna** leaving West Hollywood hot spot Delilah after hanging out with a friend on January 13.

Billy Porter, who owns a home in the Hamptons, returning to New York, landing at JFK airport after his trip to Miami on January 10.

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LIFE's Lady in Red Gala at The Breakers: A Magnificent, Charitable Success with Dionne Warwick, Rita Rudner, Marilyn McCoo and Billy Davis Jr.

The LIFE's highly anticipated Lady in Red Gala, founded and chaired by Lois Pope, held its 28th annual event at The Breakers in Palm Beach on January 9. The legendary Dionne Warwick, the always hilarious comedian Rita Rudner and seven-time Grammy Award-winning couple Marilyn McCoo and Billy Davis Jr. enthralled and entertained guests and supporters, who dined on a surf and turf feast of Maine lobster, filet mignon and baked Alaska, and later danced to fabulous music from The Danny Beck Band.

As Pope noted: "The extraordinary evening of entertainment was to support causes that are meaningful to all of us." The sold-out gala raised over $1.5 million with proceeds benefitting disabled veterans through the Pups4Patriots program at American Humane, and for South Florida youth through Lois' Food4Kids program at the Palm Beach County Food Bank.

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1. Billy Davis Jr. and Marilyn McCoo
2. Dionne Warwick
3. Rita Rudner, Lois Pope, grand honorary chair
4. Honorary chairs Gail Worth, Frank Orenstein
5. Inspirational chair Tova Leidesdorf, Lisa Salomon
6. Maximillion Von Anhalt, Entertainment chair Sunny Sessa
7. David McClymont, Grand honorary chair Christine Lynn
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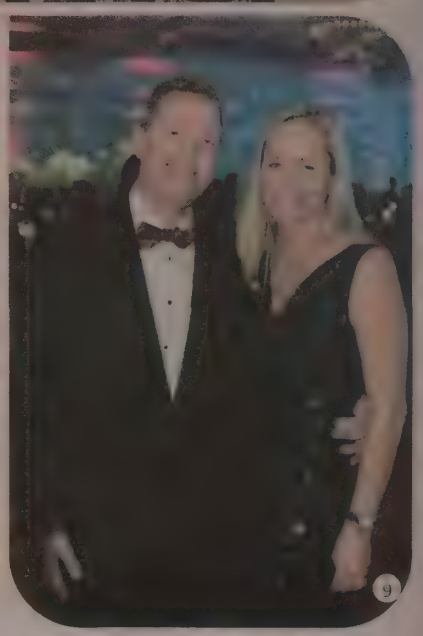

Hope for Depression Research Foundation Presents Palm Beach Presentation and Junior Committee Launch

Over 80 guests attended a special presentation by Audrey Gruss, founder and chair of Hope for Depression Research Foundation (HDRF) and Dr. Eric Nestler, chair of the HDRF Depression Task Force, at The Society of the Four Arts in Palm Beach on January 6. The lectures addressed the magnitude of depressive illness globally and in the U.S., where surveys show a third of Americans are experiencing depression and anxiety in the wake of the pandemic.

The day also marked the official launch of Hope for Depression's Palm Beach Junior Committee – a core group of young parents and professionals dedicated to raising mental health awareness in their communities. They were invited to attend the lecture and a special luncheon afterwards with Dr. Nestler and Gruss at Le Bilboquet.

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1. Audrey Gruss, Dr. Eric Nestler
2. Stacey Leuliette and Bettina Anderson, junior committee
3. Robert Riva and Hollis Pica
4. Stephanie and Andrew Filauro, co-chair and junior committee
5. Mona Nasser, Josh Sagman Carolina Buia, junior committee
6. Audrey Gruss, Kara Ross
7. Wendy Benichou, Dominique Buaron
8. Lourdes de Guardiola, Jane Stevens
9. Maura Landers, Scott Snyder, Louisa Benton
10. Kim Heirston, Eleanora Kennedy
11. Group photo

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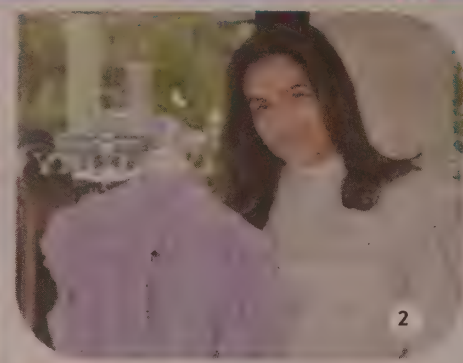

Fivestory Palm Beach Grand Opening

New York-based Fivestory women's boutique, with its main townhouse store on Madison Avenue and a second store in Southampton on Jobs Lane, held a grand opening recently for its new Fivestory Palm Beach store on Royal Poinciana Way. Owner Karen Murray's upscale boutique features curated collections, emerging designers, cutting edge fashion, jewelry and accessories.

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1. Tommy Hilfiger, Dee Ocleppo, Karen Murray, Kris Jenner
2. Margaret Luce
3. Kathy Prounis, Othon Prounis
4. Rubin Singer, Karen Murray
5. Jamie Barry, Ashley Grant, Greg Grant, Jerry Politzer
6. Tim McVay, Julie Hayek, David Bush, Carol Calicchio, Ron Burkhardt
7. Karen Murray, Sally Kimball, Agata Heisel
8. Eleanora Kennedy, Ava Kennedy, Anna Kennedy
9. Jessica Frankel, Joanne Frankel
10. John Evans, Carol Calicchio, Amanda Calicchio, Trevor Wills

Billy Stritch & Gabrielle Stravelli: A Hit at The Kravis Center

Renowned pianist and singer Billy Stritch and acclaimed vocalist Gabrielle Stravelli celebrated the legendary Mel Tormé and Ella Fitzgerald in "Mel and Ella Swing!" at The Kravis Center on January 14–15. The talented duo played to a highly receptive crowd of fans from Palm Beach and Hamptons.

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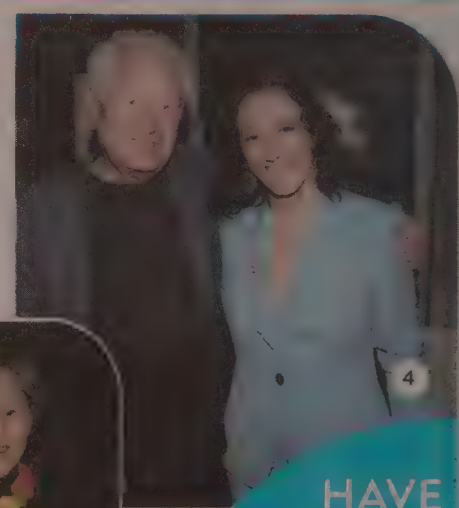

1. Jane Rothchild, *Chicago* producer Fran Weissler, Bill Boggs
2. Bonnie Roseman, Billy Stritch
3. Eda Sorokoff, Fran Weissler
4. Stephen Sorokoff, Gabrielle Stravelli

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Jeff Koons: Balloon Venus, PACE Gallery

Marc Glimcher, CEO/president of PACE Gallery, artist Jeff Koons

Jeff Koons: *Balloon Venus* opened at the PACE Gallery in Palm Beach on January 14. It's the first time this sculpture has been exhibited publicly. On view through January 30.

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Ann Norton Sculpture Gardens Honors Fashion Icon Iris Apfel's 100th Birthday

Fashion icon, businesswoman and local artist Iris Apfel was honored at the home of Board Chairwoman for the Ann Norton Sculpture Gardens Frances Fisher and her husband Jeffrey. Guests celebrated Apfel's 100th birthday and during the festive evening, Frances Fisher announced a legacy gift to the Ann Norton Sculpture Gardens from Apfel.

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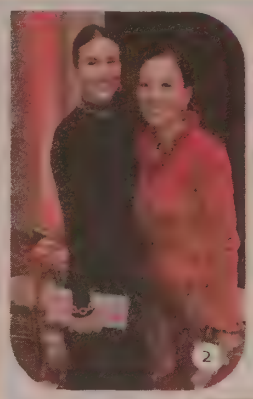

1. Iris Apfel and Frances Fisher
2. Casey Aylward and Christine Aylward
3. Pam and Robert Georgen
4. David Miller and Ray Wakefield
5. Sara and Jim McCann, Karyn Lamb

SEEN on the Palm Beach SCENE ...

Seen at: BRICKTOPS, Palm Beach
Jean Shafiroff, Former NYPD Police Commissioner Raymond Kelly, Veronica Kelly, Kim Renk

Seen at: THE COLONY HOTEL, Palm Beach
Poppy Caravan Exhibit: Ala von Auersperg Boutique. Jill Schecter, Isaac Boots, Davis, Noelle Hughes (photo: Annie Watt)

Seen at: TREVINI, Palm Beach
TV Host Bill Boggs, Jane Rothchild, Isanne and Sandy Fisher, Palm Beach Opera Company board member

Seen at: THE COLONY HOTEL, Palm Beach
Allan and Arlene Lazar

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NEWS & VIEWS

Hampton Bays Man Charged With Christmas Home Invasion Murder

BY TIMOTHY BOLGER

A Hampton Bays man was arrested on January 16 for allegedly shooting a 53-year-old man to death in the victim's Southampton home on Christmas, Suffolk County police said.

Homicide Squad detectives charged Dominick Parisi, 57, with second-degree murder for the death of Steven Byrnes on December 25. He was taken into custody at gunpoint while sitting in his Jeep Cherokee in the parking lot of Stop & Shop in Hampton Bays.

"What's this about?" he was overheard asking the investigators, who replied: "You know what this is about."

Parisi, who previously served a prison term for a first-degree manslaughter conviction and was paroled in 2012, was held overnight at Southampton Town Police headquarters and arraigned at Southampton Town Justice Court, police said. He is also awaiting trial in Suffolk County court on charges of driving without a license, driving an unregistered vehicle and driving an uninspected vehicle, records show. The suspect's attorney Jason Bassett was not immediately available for comment.

Southampton Town Police officers had responded to a 911 call reporting a home invasion on Roses Grove Road, where they found a resident of the home had been shot at 8:45 a.m., police had said.

The victim was pronounced dead at the scene by a physician assistant from the Office of the Suffolk County Medical Examiner. Parisi faces 25 years in prison, if convicted.

~With additional reporting by Taylor K. Vecsey

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SNOW-COVERED DOWNTOWN RIVERHEAD

Riverhead Wins $10M Downtown Revitalization Grant

BY TIMOTHY BOLGER

The Town of Riverhead has been awarded a $10 million grant that will be used to continue the next phase of long-running efforts to turn around economically struggling Downtown Riverhead, officials said.

The Empire State Development Corporation awarded the town in the fifth round of the the New York State Downtown Revitalization Initiative (DRI) grant funding program to help it jump start projects that would improve downtown's lure as a destination.

"I am beyond excited that Downtown Riverhead was selected as the fortunate recipient of such a large infusion of state grant funds," Riverhead Town Supervisor Yvette Aguiar said.

Using a competitive evaluation process, the Long Island Regional Economic Development Council conducted a thorough and comprehensive review of proposals submitted from communities throughout the region. Amityville was also awarded $10 million. Now in its fifth year, the program will invest $200 million in up to 20 additional downtowns statewide.

Riverhead's downtown is a compact, diverse, mixed-use neighborhood that the town aims to reimagine as a recreational, shopping and tourist destination with the revitalized Peconic River waterfront as its focal point.

"A local planning committee will be formed to provide advisory guidance on how to move potential projects forward in the most efficient and effective manner possible," said Dawn Thomas, director of Riverhead's Community Development entity, which submitted the grant application.

Thomas said potential projects identified in the application include Riverhead Town Square, the Railroad Avenue Transit Oriented Development Project, implementing downtown flood mitigation measures, as well as improvements to the Suffolk Theater and Vail-Leavitt Music Hall.

"Ensuring local communities have the resources they need to thrive is critical to New York's economic resurgence," Gov. Kathy Hochul said. "I have no doubt that with this funding, they won't only recover from the impacts of COVID-19, but will flourish in the long term."

Riverhead Girl, 4, Dies After Mother's Alleged DWI Crash

BY TIMOTHY BOLGER

A 4-year-old Riverhead girl died three days after she was critically injured in a crash in Flanders that resulted in her mother being charged with driving while high on drugs last week, New York State police said.

The child, Gracelyn Perkowski, died January 16 at Stony Brook Hospital, where she was taken for treatment following the crash. The victim's 34-year-old mother Amy Wesolowski was charged at Southampton Town Justice Court with misdemeanor counts of driving while ability impaired by drugs and endangering the welfare of a child as well as a felony count of driving while intoxicated with a child.

Police have said Wesolowski was driving with her daughter in a 2005 Toyota Rav 4 that collided with a 2022 Volkswagen Tiguan driven by 29-year-old Sonya Fezza of Water Mill on Flanders Road at 11:40 a.m. January 13.

First responders had resuscitated the unresponsive child at the scene after she was was pulled from the wreck by good Samaritans and she was rushed via ambulance to the hospital. Both drivers were taken to Peconic Bay Medical Center for treatment and were released later the same day.

State Police are continuing the investigation and ask anyone with information on the crash to call them at 631-756-3300.

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Dear Supervisor Van Scoyoc:

Congratulations on your recent re-election to the public office of East Hampton Town Supervisor. I look forward to continuing to work with you to both continue to provide both essential services as well as improving the quality of life of our residents.

I write you today to express the position of the Village of East Hampton, as definitively voiced by our residents, with respect to the continued operation of the East Hampton Airport. Simply put, a recent survey of our residents indicates that fully seventy- seven (77%) percent of them support keeping the airport open and operating while continuing to seek practical, meaningful ways to reduce aircraft noise.

Moreover, I join in the position expressed to you by Southampton Town Supervisor Jay Schneiderman in his correspondence dated December 10, 2021 regarding and proposed "temporary" closure of the airport. The Village of East Hampton also requests that we be involved in any SEQRA process as an "involved agency". I also concur with Supervisor Schneiderman that any "temporary" closure may well result in vastly increased traffic between Gabreski airport and both the Town of Southampton and/or the Village of East Hampton. I also agree that such action would have the potential to overwhelm Montauk airport, to the Detriment of the residents of and visitors to the Town of East Hampton and the Village of East Hampton.

In addition, I find myself in agreement with Supervisor Schneiderman's thoughts regarding an inequitable shifting of the tax burden as well as the detrimental effect on critical emergency infrastructure.

I would welcome the opportunity to work with you toward a resolution of these concerns. I believe we have an outstanding record of achievement for our constituents when we have done so in the past, and while this issue may be difficult, I am confident that we can once again deliver the kind of solution which can only be achieved when all stakeholders work together toward a common goal.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter. I look forward to speaking with you in the near future to commence our joint efforts.

Very truly yours,

Jerry Larsen
Mayor

DAN'S COLUMN

Emergency Communication

BY DAN RATTINER

Just about everybody wants better cell service near their homes. But nobody wants the tower that delivers it to be anywhere near their homes. Put it somewhere else, but then beam the service over here to where the service is weak. That'll do it.

Well, it won't.

Case in point is the community of Springs, where I live. This is the most populous section of East Hampton. Cellphone service is fine at one end where I live, but it is terrible at the other end. So I've watched the NIMBY battle unfold at the other end. It's been going on for years. I'm just an observer.

First, the Springs Fire Department built a 150-foot tower on their property without a permit. They said it was for an emergency communications system, so who could object to that? And the Fire Department could use the money that would come in from Verizon and AT&T with their deep dishes below. Well, a lot of people did object. They called Town Hall and asked if there was a permit for this, and the answer was nope. So they got the town to demand that it be taken down. It's still up there — this was four years ago — but nothing is attached. It's an illegal tower.

Next, AT&T made a deal with the St. Peter's Chapel on Old Stone Highway to build a tower behind the chapel, but have it tuck inside a fake 50-foot-high camponile AT&T would build — a four-square sort of cedar shingle religious tower that you see in some chapels, especially in Italy. It would blend right in. The tower would complement a little bell tower attached to the roof of the church in front.

Inside, you could sit in the pew and pray to the Lord above the bell tower in front, or since you'd know what's in the camponile tower, to a telephone company in the back.

Neighbors filed a lawsuit to stop the camponile. Off it went to court.

Next, an attempt was made to build a 185-foot emergency communications tower in the 170-acre woods that houses Camp Blue Bay, the Nassau County Girl Scouts Camp, every summer. Girl Scouts authorities said no, but they would consider one 10 feet tall.

So then the town decided a good place for the cell tower would be in a former sandpit which is vacant land surrounded by a very populous residential development just south of Fort Pond Boulevard. But the townspeople there made so much noise — they called the sandpit an amenity in the area for the children and demanded it be preserved as a little park. They renamed the sandpit the Crandall-Norfolk Woodlands. And that is pending.

After that, the town offered to put up a "temporary" tower 100 feet tall there. It could be wheeled in but then taken away when a more permanent site was found. And that didn't fly either.

Watching all this from afar, the Girl Scouts then changed their mind and allowed that there could be an emergency communications tower on their property. And so a deal was then signed. But it couldn't be taller than 120 feet.

Next thing that happened was that the company that had agreed to build the tower, wherever it might go, informed the town that the tower would have to be 185 feet tall if it were to be a cellular emergency communications tower rather than a shorter analog one, which the town had not known.

So for a time, the plan was to go back to the firehouse site and reapply for a nearly twice as tall, 185-foot tower there, which again caused an uproar. There was also talk about putting the temporary tower at the end of Gann Road, at the Springs Library, or at Maidstone Park. All got rejected.

With that, the Girl Scouts reconsidered and said if 120 feet wasn't good enough, oh well, one 65 feet taller would be okay. It could be at the corner of Flaggy Hole Road and Three Mile Harbor Road.

And so this project is now moving forward four years later.

Meanwhile, a court judge approved a settlement about St. Peter's Church. So that project is a go.

"How did we miss this?" a neighbor asked.

Through it all, I've been wondering what the difference is between a new emergency communications cellular tower and an old emergency communications analog tower. Turns out the analog version has static and bad reception. Digital does not. But digital has to be taller. Can't be that the fire is announced with static so the volunteers might go to 285 Three Mile Harbor Road rather than 385 Three Mile Harbor Road, get out their hoses and it's the wrong house.

Back when I was a teenager years ago, my dad was one of the volunteers. He had a shortwave radio set up on a shelf in the pharmacy of his drugstore in Montauk. It would only start up once in a very long while with an urgent voice telling the volunteers to drop whatever they were doing and get down to the firehouse. And he'd quickly go.

I still have his fireman's hat.

Way, way back in the 1600s when the Hamptons was first settled, a call for volunteers would get announced by the ringing of the church bells in the town steeples all at the same time. And if you didn't show, you were fined a certain number of shillings.

And since about 1890 when sirens got invented, they'd go off all over town from atop the telephone poles to alert those firemen not near their emergency radio channels in their offices, homes or stores at that random moment.

To this day, some of the Hamptons — Sag Harbor and East Hampton for example — still set off their sirens, to either mark noon or 5 p.m. with short blasts, or get thee to the fire house with ongoing longer blasts.

It's also been a law only since about 1988 that numbers be posted on all buildings within the town's jurisdiction to make it easier for the volunteers to locate an emergency. Before that, it would be "cottage on fire behind the red Wilson House on Cranberry Hole Road near the corner of Lazy Point Road." Now they just say "83 Cranberry."

And everybody knows.

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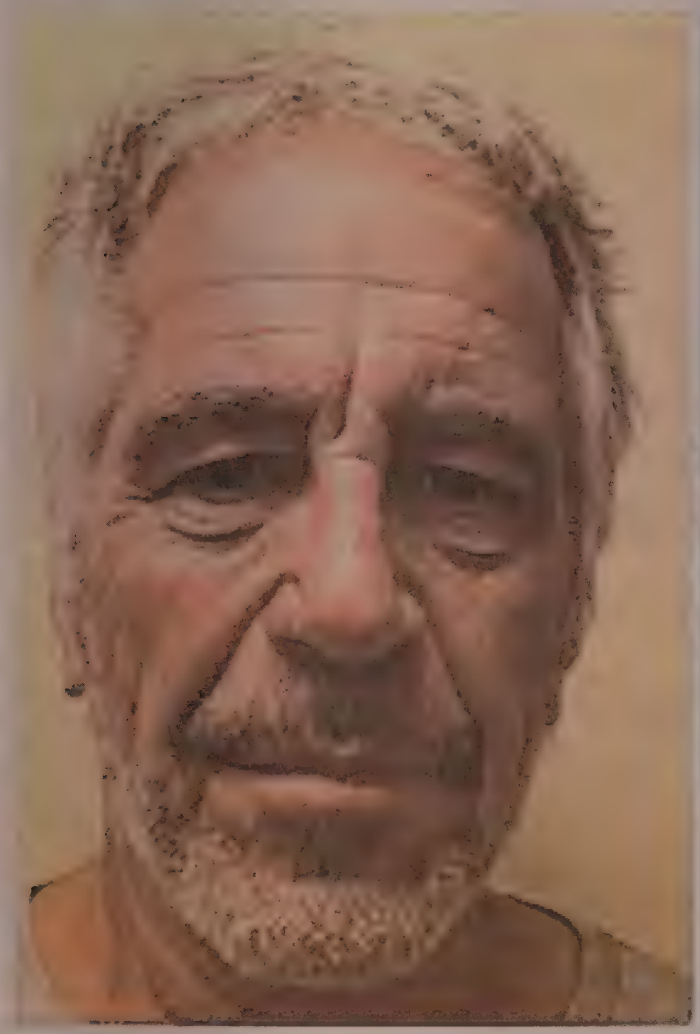
Epstein on the East End: Trial, Records Shed New Light on Convicted Pedophile's Hamptons Trips



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U.S. FINANCIER JEFFREY EPSTEIN APPEARS IN A PHOTOGRAPH TAKEN FOR THE NEW YORK STATE DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES' SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY MARCH 28, 2017. ON RIGHT, LITTLE ST. JAMES ISLAND, ONE OF EPSTEIN'S PROPERTIES, IS SEEN NEAR CHARLOTTE AMALIE, ST. THOMAS, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS JULY 21, 2019.

BY TIMOTHY BOLGER

A Norwegian cosmetics heiress who denies being late convicted pedophile financier Jeffrey Epstein's ex-girlfriend was among people who traveled with him to the Hamptons on his jet critics dubbed the Lolita Express, records show.

Details of the multimillionaire alleged sex trafficker's East End excursions emerged from flight records reviewed by *Dan's Papers* and the recent Manhattan federal court trial of Ghislaine Maxwell, the British socialite connected to Epstein. She is appealing her December 29 conviction on five counts of sex trafficking and other charges related to recruiting and grooming teenage girls for Epstein to abuse between 1994 and 2004. Among the revelations in testimony and records are that Epstein traveled to the Hamptons with heiress Celina Midelfart and his science advisor, neurosurgeon Melanie Walker, who reportedly helped introduce Epstein to Microsoft founder Bill Gates, the world's fifth-richest man. Also listed in manifests for more than 50 flights to and from Long Island — at least a half dozen of which involved Hamptons airports — were pilot Lawrence Visoski, who was the prosecution's first witness at Maxwell's trial.

"Ms. Maxwell was number two. Mr. Epstein was a big number one," Visoski told jurors. "She was the one that pretty much handled most of the finance, my expenses, spending in the office."

Epstein, a 66-year-old registered sex offender after he pleaded guilty in Florida to soliciting prostitution from minor girls, died by suicide in a Manhattan jail cell in 2019, authorities said, while awaiting trial on federal sex trafficking charges for allegedly abusing dozens of girls over the years. Epstein's many high-powered friends over the years have included former Presidents Donald Trump and Bill Clinton as well as Prince Andrew, who was recently stripped of his military title amid pending lawsuits from Epstein's alleged victims.

Details of Epstein's trips to the Hamptons were scarce, but the records show the region was among his many stops on his international travels as he flew with companions between New York, Florida and overseas, as he had homes in Manhattan, Palm Beach and in the U.S. Virgin Islands. None of those who traveled with Epstein to the area have been accused of crimes.

HEIRESS IN THE HAMPTONS

Disputed details about the relationship between Epstein and Midelfart, who inherited her family's cosmetics fortune, came up during Maxwell's trial.

"They were a couple," Cimberly Espinosa, Maxwell's former executive assistant, testified for the defense during the trial. Espinosa testified that she believed the pedophile dated the heiress behind the socialite's back.

Another one of Epstein's pilots gave similar testimony, but an attorney for Midelfart later issued a statement disputing the characterization of the relationship, saying she never dated Epstein and that they were just friends.

Regardless, what is clear from flight records is that Midelfart and Epstein were listed as passengers aboard his plane when it took off from Francis S. Gabreski Airport in Westhampton Beach headed to Martha's Vineyard Airport on August 24, 1997.

The tail number for the plane on that flight was for a 1969 Boeing 727-31, a private jet owned by one of Epstein's many shell corporations. That plane, known as the Lolita Express and reported to be decked out in red velvet reclining seats and beds, is last known to be rusting away at an airport in Georgia. Epstein's underage victims have said he and others had abused them on the plane mid-flight.

A representative for Midelfart, who has not be acused of involvement in Epstein's alleged scheme, did not respond to a request for comment.

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GHISLAINE MAXWELL SITS AS THE GUILTY VERDICT IN HER SEX ABUSE TRIAL IS READ IN A COURTROOM SKETCH ON DECEMBER 29, 2021.

THE MICROSOFT CONNECTION

A year after that flight, records show neurosurgeon Melanie Starnes, then a recent college graduate, flew with Epstein from New Jersey to East Hampton Airport in Wainscott around the same time he reportedly hired Starnes as his science advisor.

Starnes is the woman's maiden name. Now known as Dr. Melanie Walker, she is married to a former Microsoft executive and is reported to have helped introduce Epstein to Gates in 2011.

Walker and another person close to Gates "at times functioned as intermediaries between the two men," *The New York Times* reported. *The Daily Beast* cited an anonymous source as saying that "she did not attend nor help set up any meetings between Gates and Epstein." Walker, who has not been accused of involvement in Epstein's alleged trafficking, could not be reached for comment.

Gates told Anderson Cooper last summer that his meetings with Epstein were a "mistake." Gates' wife Melinda, who ended their 27-year marriage last year, was widely quoted as saying she was concerned about her ex-husband's relationship with Epstein. One of the missions of The Gates Foundation is to help girls in need.

Records of the Starnes trip were found in a *Business Insider* database containing thousands of Epstein's flight logs. In November, the Federal Aviation Administration accidentally sent another 2,000 flight logs to the publication in response to a Freedom of Information Act request that the FAA had previously denied. It is unclear if the Hamptons flights were among the new or previously disclosed logs.

THE PILOT

Testimony from Visoski, the pilot who flew Epstein at least once to a Long Island airport, was key because he said he witnessed on the plane one of the four victims who took the stand against Maxwell.

Visoski told the court that he vividly remembered the "piercing powder blue eyes" of the victim dubbed Jane, who later testified that she had sexual contact with Epstein multiple times when she was 14 years old, sometimes with Maxwell in the room looking on after helping to bring her into his orbit.

Now in her early 40s, Jane testified for the government that Maxwell and Epstein first approached her and a group of friends when they were eating ice cream at an arts summer camp in Michigan in the summer of 1994. She testified that Maxwell would sometimes take her to the movies or hang out by the pool at Epstein's house, talk about school and had asked whether or not she had a boyfriend. Prosecutors alleged in an indictment against Maxwell that behavior like buying girls gifts and discussing sexual topics with them amounted to "grooming" them for abuse.

After camp ended, Epstein invited her and her mother over for tea, Jane said, adding that she was later invited by Maxwell and other Epstein employees to come on her own. On one of those occasions, Jane testified that Epstein offered to help with her singing career before ending the conversation abruptly.

"He just took my hand and said, 'Follow me,'" before taking her to his pool house and pulling down his pants, Jane said. "He pulled me on top of himself and proceeded to masturbate on me and then he got up and went into the bathroom and cleaned himself up," Jane said. "I was terrified and felt gross, and I felt ashamed."

On other occasions, also at age 14, Jane said Maxwell and Epstein would take her to a massage table in his Palm Beach house and demonstrate how Epstein liked to be massaged. Jane described Maxwell's demeanor as "very casual" during these interactions.

OTHER LOCAL TIES

The East End flights are not Epstein's only ties to the area.

As *Dan's Papers* has reported, Richard Kahn, an accountant with a home in Water Mill who is an executor of Epstein's $634 million estate, has been accused of helping Epstein run an alleged international sex trafficking ring. Denise George, the attorney general for the U.S. Virgin Islands — where Epstein's so-called "Pedophile Island" is located off of St. Thomas — filed papers last year in the Superior Court of the Virgin Islands naming Kahn and Epstein estate co-executor Darren Indyke, an attorney and Glen Cove native, with being "indispensable captains" in the scheme.

"Kahn and Indyke organized, controlled, and directed almost every aspect of the Epstein enterprise," authorities alleged. "They were officers in virtually every corporate entity that Epstein created to fund and conceal his activities."

The duo have denied the accusations.

"Neither Mr. Indyke nor Mr. Kahn had any involvement in any misconduct by Mr. Epstein of any kind, at any time," the executors' lawyers said in a statement.

Lawyers for Maxwell have said she was being scapegoated for crimes Epstein committed. Her lawyers said earlier this month they would request a new trial after one of the jurors in the case told reporters that he shared his experience of being sexually abused as a child during deliberations, and that his account helped sway jurors who were skeptical of Maxwell's accusers. Maxwell faces up to 65 years in prison when she is sentenced by U.S. District Judge Alison Nathan.

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BILL GATES REACTS DURING THE GLOBAL INVESTMENT SUMMIT AT THE SCIENCE MUSEUM, IN LONDON, OCTOBER 19, 2021.

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JEFFREY EPSTEIN'S FORMER PILOT, LAWRENCE VISOSKI, ARRIVES FOR GHISLAINE MAXWELL'S SEX TRAFFICKING TRIAL IN MANHATTAN ON NOVEMBER 30, 2021.

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How To Appraise Your Coins!

This is the first part in a series of articles in which our expert appraiser shares all you need to know about assessing and investing in coins.

This is Lee the Appraiser writing from the World Famous APR57 gallery, located here in New York City. Today, we're going to be learning the most basic points you need to know to get started appraising your coins, bullions, and other metals. First, it's important to understand the nature of coins. Coins are basically the medium created by peoples and governments to purchase various items. Needing some sort of item to exchange for goods and services, coins were initially simply pieces of gold, based on the demand that has historically existed for gold. The small demand for gold, as well as silver, was then traded in marketplaces for basic goods. The government's issued coins have intrinsic value, prior to them being made into official currency. When a coin is a government-issued coin, which creates the possibility of it being collectible, it must bear the name of the country, it's denomination (penny, quarter, five dollars, etc.), typically it will also bear the year it was minted. A modern coin will typically have the date beginning around the 1600s. Those are the three basic requirements for a coin to be collectible. Generally, there is less demand for coins issued by private mints. The lack of government issued authority means that a government or bank or cannot be compelled to accept them.Now that we've made sure to define our terms, we can get into more variables. The condition is one that makes a large difference. For many coins, the condition can change the value by up to thousands of dollars. This is what is referred to as a "condition rarity". A rare date, during which only a small number were minted, would then create a rarity based on the date. These are just two of the factors that determine a coin's rarity and value. So, if you have rare coins, the first step is to assess whether the condition is exceptional for that year, or if the date makes it very rare generally. The next factor to check is the metal value. If the coin has gold or platinum, for example, the metal alone will be quite valuable. So, a coin that happens to contain an ounce of gold or platinum will be worth a minimum of about one to two thousand dollars. Now that we've addressed metal value, let's move onto to quantity. Silver coins will be quite valuable mainly in large quantities, as today the value is about $23/ounce. The United States issued dimes, quarters, and half dollars in 90% pure silver up until 1964. This meant the metal composition of the coins created intrinsic value. Today, silver half dollars would have a value of about $10-$15/each, depending on the year and condition--obviously many times the face value of the coin! So, if you have any silver American coins--that's from 1964 or earlier--you can bring them into our gallery at 200 W 57th Street and we'll be happy to offer you a high evaluation, a free appraisal, and a very high cash offer if you wish to sell them. While the first thing to know about your coin is the metal it is made of, that is not to say that, say, a penny from a rare year in the 1700s could not be worth one thousand dollars, however it would have to be in exceptional condition. A coin like this you typically will not find in a bag or a group, but in a large collection of early rare pennies. These would likely be in protective holders or in collectors' books. If you have something like this, given to you by someone else, you can use your knowledge of that person to ascertain the possible value of the coins. For example, if your grandfather left a collection of coins, which each coin individual recorded and placed in a protective envelope, and you know that over the years he invested thousands in this collection, it is more likely that the collection might be worth evaluating. Stay tuned for part two, in which I'll get more in depth about everything there is to know about coin collecting.

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REAL ESTATE

Breadzilla's Building in Contract; Beloved Sandwiches Will Live On Under New Highway Ownership

JULIE FROEHLICH

BREADZILLA, LOCATED JUST OFF MONTAUK HIGHWAY ON WAINSCOTT-NORTHWEST ROAD, HAS A LOYAL FOLLOWING.

BY TAYLOR K. VECSEY

Breadzilla, a popular sandwich shop and bakery in Wainscott for nearly 25 years, closed for the winter late last month, and with rumors swirling the takeout store had been sold, their loyal fans worried they had tasted the last of its famous sandwiches. While the building and business are indeed being sold, according to an announcement, it seems some favorite menu items will live on when it relaunches in the spring as part of a new company.

Highway Group, a team that owns the nearby Highway Restaurant & Bar on the outskirts of Wainscott and Main Street Tavern in Amagansett, is in contract to purchase the building at 84 Wainscott-Northwest Road. Breadzilla owners, Brad Thompson and Nancy Hollister, had the property on and off the market for the last few years. We hear that Lee Minetree of Saunders & Associates, who had the listing, brokered the deal.

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The site will be the new home base for Autostrada Catering, which will provide "an array of bespoke offerings, from a mobile wood-fired pizza oven to large-scale wedding events," according to a press release from the Highway Group.

"Through this next stage for both Autostrada Catering and Breadzilla, Highway Group strives to preserve the adored bakery's prominent offerings and essential staff members," the statement reads. "Highway is eager to expand Autostrada while continuing a grab-and-go service with renowned Breadzilla classics provided by familiar faces. The team will maintain the bakery's well-established draw to locals and visitors alike, serving an array of fresh sandwiches, salads, breads and desserts."

Thompson and Hollister have a loyal following thanks to their menu that includes sandwiches, such as the Hippy Dippy or Zilla Melt and bread like the Squishy or the Gruyere bread for which they have become known, as well as homemade soups and hand-crafted baked goods.

Thompson is listed as the owner of the 0.38-acre property, according to real estate records. The partners could not immediately be reached for comment.

The team behind the Highway Group are "longtime fans" of Breadzilla.

"We are grateful for the encouraging support we received from Breadzilla owners Brad Thompson and Nancy Hollister, and are working with them to maintain the core attractions of the business and their team as we take on the next chapter for both concepts," Peter Pizarro, Highway's director of operations, says. "The Highway Group wishes the best for the Breadzilla owners as they retire from the day-to-day baking business, and we look forward to their next venture when they share their favorite recipes in a soon-to-be-published cookbook." The statement continues, "With the guidance of Breadzilla's original owners, Highway Group will operate both the bakery and catering from the original space."

SAMANTHA OTTO-DOMBKOWSKI

BREADZILLA SITS ON A 0.83-ACRE PROPERTY BEHIND THE SEAFOOD SHOP, JUST OFF MONTAUK HIGHWAY.

The restaurant group has a successful track record with world-class restaurants — including Eleven Madison Park, Shuko and Pasquale Jones — in New York City.

More details will be coming in the spring of 2022, the restaurant group says. In the meantime, Highway is hiring. For opportunities, contact careers@highwayrestaurant.com.

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	East Hampton-Gerard Point LLC	22 Shore LLC	22 Shore Road	Vacant	08/16/21	3,000,000
	April & Kenneth Garschina	Douglas Newton	73 Mako Lane	Residence	11/05/21	2,775,000
	Sydney Jones	Erwin Schukin	15 Alexis Court	Residence	10/27/21	2,500,000
	Kimberly Whitney	Jennifer Rothberg	73 Oak Lane	Residence	12/22/21	1,690,000
Baiting Hollow	Angela J Addesso	Lauretta Johnson	1007 Bluffs Drive North	Condo	12/02/21	530,000
	Maria Natale	John & Veronica Joyce	31 Fox Hill Drive	Condo	10/15/21	479,000
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	Brynn & Caitlin Sheridan	Francine Feldman	35 Maryland Blvd	Residence	10/20/21	610,000
	Stephen J McCarthy	Tyler Smith	108 Lynncliff Road	Residence	07/29/21	570,000
	12 Tramposch Ltd	Michael Cantwell	12 Tramposh Lane	Vacant	11/30/21	425,000
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Jamesport	Laura & Thomas Elling	Robert & Susan Crinnion	9 Holly Tree Lane	Residence	10/08/21	785,000
	Laurie Cullen	Brittany Falussy	24 Circle Drive	Residence	08/13/21	550,000
Laurel	1805 Laurel Way LLC	Daniel Ferrara	1805 Laurel Way	Vacant	12/06/21	350,000
Mattituck	Kevin M Murphy	Steven Rabinowitz	3265 Park Avenue	Residence	10/20/21	1,335,000
	North Fork Project LLC	Carl & Nicole Cruz	5550 West Mill Road	Residence	11/22/21	950,000
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	Mary Pawelski	Julie A Freeman	62 Lincoln Road	Residence	11/12/21	1,875,000
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Orient	Nicole Mollo	Tracy Fisher	1000 Soundview Road	Residence	09/13/21	1,449,000
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Quiogue	Claude & Gina Zarowin	Howard Friedman	563 Montauk Highway	Residence	05/11/21	770,000
Quogue	Marjorie & Michael Stern	Quogue Dune LLC	86 Dune Road	Residence	12/03/21	8,200,000
Remsenburg	Eugene & Veronica Kelly	Pamela Coren	4 Mallard Lane	Residence	11/15/21	2,101,000
	Joel Breiter	Barbara & Jeffrey Cooper	50 Nidzyn Avenue	Residence	12/17/21	1,730,000
Riverhead	Norbert Berrios	Sundrop LLC	28 Chris Sundrop Court	Residence	11/22/21	900,000
	Eileen & James Izzo	Carl & Karen Krause	31 Bellflower Court	Residence	09/22/21	705,000
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	Erika & James Bloss	Carlos Gomez	129 Sunrise Avenue	Residence	11/18/21	565,000
	Frederick & Rita Walling	Mary Cholodenko	175 Scenic Lake Drive	Condo	12/17/21	530,000
	Dalton Studios LLC	Tami McCormick	171 Rabbit Run	Residence	07/13/21	525,000
	Candee D Ulmet	Miguel Farez	185 Arrowhead Avenue	Residence	10/26/21	495,000
	Michael McKeown	New Level Properties LLC	5185 Sound Avenue	Residence	11/17/21	425,000
	Kelly J Oliva	Francisco DeJesus	35 Oak Drive	Residence	10/19/21	390,000
	Ryan & Tracy Evans	Georgia Gabrielsen	20 Blackberry Commons	Condo	11/23/21	340,000
	Kondaur Capital Corp	K & D of Port Properties Corp	625 East Main Street	Residence	06/17/21	272,500
	April A Dris	Mario Fajardo	21 Bell Avenue	Residence	11/19/21	200,000
Sag Harbor	PepperrellCove LLC	Steven Mendal	131 Laurel Valley Drive	Residence	11/18/21	4,358,000
	Claire & Peter Rocker	Marianne Ziemer	29 Lighthouse Lane	Residence	11/04/21	1,700,000
	Arlene & Michael Amore	Allison & Matthew Heckman	61 Northside Drive	Residence	12/09/21	1,500,000
	Michael DeNardo	Lauren Moore	117 Denise Street	Residence	09/09/21	1,150,000
	11 Overlook Lane Noyac LLC	11 Overlook Lane LLC	11 Overlook Lane	Residence	11/03/21	1,110,000
	David Sherwood	Harbor Cove Group LLC	22 Bayview Road	Residence	11/22/21	1,100,000
	Estate of Mary Sarsfield	Jesus Luna	4 Peninsula Drive	Residence	10/22/21	875,500
	Blue Sea Adventures LLC	45 Pinecrest Lane LLC	45 Pine Crest Lane	Vacant	11/09/21	475,000
Sagaponack	Dana J Reis	Paul Uren	1085 Sagg Main Street	Residence	12/01/21	9,750,000
Shelter Island	Gary Baddeley	Sumayah Jamal	133 South Ferry Road	Residence	10/22/21	1,584,706
	John J Williams	Carol & Christian Hansen	1 Strawberry Lane	Vacant	11/15/21	340,000
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	James & Marguerite Ellinger	Brent & Joanna Canada	33 Westmoreland Drive	Residence	11/04/21	2,525,000
Southampton	Robert Campbell Trust	15 Pheasant Close North LLC	15 Pheasant Close North	Residence	11/23/21	8,500,000
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	David S Schechter	Pericles Navab	240 Little Plains Road	Residence	12/10/21	6,000,000
	Rosko Farm Realty LLC	62 Rosko Lane LLC	62 Rosko Lane	Residence	08/06/21	3,400,000
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Southold	Marijo Adimey	Andrew Cramer	21515 Soundview Avenue	Residence	11/09/21	1,900,000
	Annamarie Ieraci	Bushker II LLC	7005 Soundview Avenue	Residence	11/19/21	1,315,000
	Doroski Family LP	C5 48 LLC	915 County Road 48	Residence	06/14/21	1,200,000
	Lauren E Hughes	Stephen Ellsworth	555 Meadow Court Apt 11C	Condo	12/01/21	1,126,000
	Amy & Richard Wester	Craig Hettich	825 Cedar Drive	Residence	11/22/21	910,000
	Karen & Meinrad Danzer	Paul & Catherine Gagan	425 Tuthill Road Extension	Residence	11/24/21	910,000
	Gerardo Mastronardi	Matina Simegiatos	505 Grove Road	Residence	07/16/21	670,000
	Maureen & Terrence Flood	Garry & Maryann Fredrickson	670 Youngs Avenue	Residence	12/01/21	615,000
Wading River	David & Nima Florio	Sonny J Miller	7 Brookline Court	Residence	09/17/21	955,000
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	Linda Howard-Kloepfer Trust	Liana & Robert Pietra	85 Jagger Lane	Residence	10/14/21	999,000
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Westhampton Beach	Charles Trunz Trust	Annette & John Sokolovic	276 Oneck Lane	Residence	11/19/21	4,500,000
	Daniel & Deborah Kassan	Carol Langer	265 Dune Road Unit 9	Condo	11/10/21	1,500,000
	Gail M Rosante	Anthony & Roseann Portillo	4 Mickies Way	Residence	11/29/21	540,000

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Honoring This Week's Cover Artist:

Hunt Slonem

BY DAVID TAYLOR

Some people spend most of their life searching for that one true passion that makes them eager to get out of bed in the morning. Many will have decades-long careers before choosing to prioritize that one small activity that brings them endless joy. *Dan's Papers* cover artist Hunt Slonem never questioned what path his life would take. His passion for art was clear early on, and he followed it to success and fulfillment.

"I would be in a state of complete unhappiness if I wasn't working and doing what I'm doing. I can't think of anything else that brings me joy," Slonem says. "It's all I ever wanted to do – I was never conflicted."

With an unconventional childhood due, in part, to his father's military service, Slonem grew up in Hawaii, Virginia, Connecticut, California and Washington, and he even spent several months of his time in high school as an exchange student in Nicaragua. There, he developed his fascination with observing birds that led to many pet toucans, parrots and lories in order to study them up close. Birds became one of three consistently recurring muses throughout his art – alongside rabbits and moths/butterflies, both of which he kept as childhood pets – which feature in not only his large-scale paintings, but also in his daily ritual paintings, such as this week's cover art, "Red Seer."

"I do a group of works on a theme, often they're rabbits, not as often they're birds. It's part of my ritual of painting in my studio every day," he explains, adding that once done, he finds antique photo frames to properly display each 10-by-8-foot, oil-on-wood piece in the set. "These are really about gestural warmup and color play, and part of my meditation, in a way."

"Red Seer," in particular, is a wet-on-wet painting of a red lory reminiscent of the birds that have accompanied Slonem in his studio for many years. "I've watched them as I paint every day, and they're great companions," he says. "They're very mystical, and 'seer' is a wonderful term that just popped into my head to describe the bird."

Out of all his muses, Slonem may be best known for his rabbit paintings, both grand compositions and simplified portraits, which have grown in numbers exponentially throughout his career. Born in 1951 under the sign of the rabbit in the Chinese zodiac, Slonem feels a strong connection to the creature that "has a voice – a strong one," he explains.

"It's really resonated in my life in all kinds of new forms of my work that are coming through," Slonem says of this symbol of luck, fertility and animal rights. "It's just a profound image that's not taken as seriously as it could be."

With these new forms, many of which he first experimented with soon after COVID-19 hit the U.S., Slonem's rabbits, birds and other creatures have been forged in bronze, glass, neon, diamond dust and within light boxes. Throughout 2022, he hopes to expand on the passionate creation and well-edited exhibition of these new forms and his iconic paintings. In addition, he plans to tackle watercolor again after abandoning the medium 30 years ago, debut a new show at the Botanical Gardens and work on a follow-up to 2021 art book *Hunt Slonem: The Bigger Picture*, authored by Ted Vassilev, owner of the DTR Modern galleries.

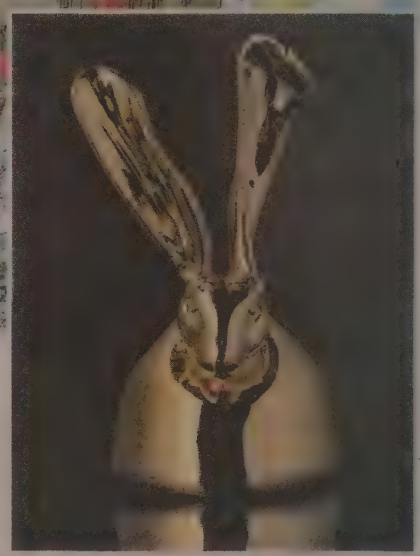
The book and select works by Slonem are on sale through DTR Modern, with locations in Palm Beach and New York City. Additionally, his designs are available on pillows, dinnerware, bedding and facemasks through hopup.shop.

Painting in New York since the 1970s, Slonem has been featured in hundreds of exhibitions across the globe – including in Canada, India, Norway, Haiti and Argentina – and in the permanent collections of prestigious galleries and museums such as the Guggenheim, the Metropolitan Museum of Art and the Whitney Museum of American Art. He was also commissioned to create a large mural for the former World Trade Center.

"Art is my vehicle for seeing the world, and there's nothing else that makes me more satisfied," he says.

As early as his first job in Manhattan, teaching senior citizens how to paint, Slonem has been using art to brighten up the lives of others. Countless paintings have been donated or loaned to organizations such as the Children's Hospital of New Orleans, Children's Museum of Naples, Children's Museum of Indianapolis, New Jewish Home, Saint Agatha's Children's Home and Carilion Children's Clinic.

HUNT SLONEM WITH HIS BIRDS



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"MIDAS" BY HUNT SLONEM

"Healing is one of the things that means the most to me – uplifting others through the work," Slonem says, adding that as he shares art of the creatures most dear to him, he hopes it will also heal people's perception of nature as something worth protecting. "I hope I'm making some kind of an impact on people considering nature and how vital it is to our wellbeing – to the beauty and strength of our existence."

While nothing reaches the level of enjoyment from creating art, Slonem admits that he also does enjoy collecting art, as his grandfather did before him, filling his homes – such as Searles Castle in Massachusetts and Scranton Armory in Pennsylvania – with art from galleries great and niche.

Ultimately, it's the simple act of creating art that Slonem is most passionate about, and that's what makes him an ideal choice for the first-ever issue of *Dan's Papers Palm Beach*. "I'm thrilled that this is happening in Palm Beach – it's one of my favorite places in the universe," he says.

"I'm just sitting here, thanking the universe for the blessing of being able to paint every day," he continues. "I pray to keep going forever and ever – I love what I'm doing and hope other people enjoy it."

To see more of Slonem's work, visit dtrmodern.com and huntslonem.com.

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HUNT SLONEM AND HIS BUNNY WALL

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BEHIND THE HEDGES Palm Beach

On the cover: Frederico Azevedo of Unlimited Earth Care
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REAL ESTATE ROUNDTABLE

BEST *of both* WORLDS

The Hamptons in the summer. Palm Beach for the winter. Sounds like the perfect mix to us. The real estate market says so, too. More and more agents are doing business in both places. So we asked some top agents in the two markets, what do the East End and Palm Beach real estate markets have in common?

Ashley Farrell

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It's safe to say Palm Beach is the Hamptons of Florida. From the stores to the restaurants, much of what you find in one has its counterpart in the other. However, each region also has its own unique gems. Locals can enjoy lunch at The Breakers in Palm Beach or a wine tasting at Wölffer Estate in Sagaponack, both experiences that can't be duplicated. On a practical level, the ingress/egress from the two areas is second to none. Traveling via either location's airport is a dream, and transit to New York City or Miami, via LIRR/Jitney or the Brightline, respectively, puts the" "big cities" within easy reach. In addition, both regions' real estate markets typically move in tandem as they each cater to discretionary purchases of second or vacation homes. In both markets, buyers can find a spectacular product: think ocean views, close to towns and beaches, or direct waterfront with room for the boat. These luxury locales attract those who appreciate the best of the best. You'll run into the same people out east in the summer that you met at a party in Palm Beach the winter before. For many, this sense of comfort and familiarity has a lot of appeal.

Liza Pulitzer

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Palm Beach and the Hamptons have always been considered playgrounds for the Northeast with their small-town vibes and waterfront communities, but there is nothing sleepy about these resorts! The lifestyle can be super low-key playing on the beach or highly sophisticated attending private or charitable events. With that being said, the inventory in both places has never been so low with such a great demand.

Holly Parker

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Both locations offer beach, greenery and a luxurious lifestyle. Their curbside appeal is top-notch, not only on property, but they offer stunning public spaces, everything is landscaped artistically and beautifully, and the towns are filled with highly curated shops and world-renowned restaurants. There is no wonder the Hamptons feel like home to those who spend their winters in Palm Beach, and Palm Beach feels like home to those who summer in the Hamptons.

Samantha Curry

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Both markets offer a relaxed vacation/resort-style atmosphere with a small-town feel. Both areas offer easy access to beaches, the water and outdoor space. They're both noted for being among the safest neighborhoods in the nation, making them very desirable for families.

Chris Deitz

COMPASS

For decades, Palm Beach and the Hamptons have lived synergistically in lifestyle, luxury, safety and exclusivity. While both markets have commonalities, Palm Beach's allure has only grown stronger in the current climate. Over the last three years, we've witnessed an influx of New Yorkers looking for permanence in the Sunshine State, specifically Palm Beach. Now full-time residents — these entrepreneurs, finance titans and tech moguls — weekend or vacation back to the East End on occasion. Palm Beach has become much more than a winter destination and is now positioned as the enclave for year-round living.

Elliot R. Epstein

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The Hamptons and Palm Beach real estate markets are very similar because they are two upscale places that people want to go to for beautiful weather, great beaches, sophisticated restaurants and outdoor living: the Hamptons in the summer and Palm Beach in the winter. Both markets have moved in tandem, both with much higher prices over the last two years, and substantially lower inventory, almost none. There are very few appealing listings to show a new or existing client. I've been working in both the Hamptons and Palm Beach markets simultaneously since 2008, but I've been in real estate much longer. I love living in the Hamptons in the summer and Palm Beach in the winter — the good life. Two very special places.

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LANDSCAPE DESIGN *In bloom* OUTDOORS IS IN

story by **Claude Solnik**

Amid the pandemic, many residents have been spending more time in their homes, as well as observing and enjoying the outdoors from gardens to lawns. So it's no surprise that Frederico Azevedo, an award-winning landscape designer based in the Hamptons, is finding growing interest from Montauk to Palm Beach, spanning resorts and other regions.

"I'd say that the past few years have encouraged more people to consider their outdoor spaces and seek pleasure and fun in nature," said Azevedo, owner of Bridgehampton-based Unlimited Earth Care. "I try never to design gardens meant only to be looked at. I'm always tempting people towards the colors, the aromas, the birds."

While there has been a renovation renaissance, residents also are rediscovering the great, or potentially great, outdoors of their home. As summer homes become homes all year long from the Hamptons to Florida, residents are finding landscape design can literally be a breath of fresh air and an often-overlooked outdoor amenity.

"Many clients of mine have moved into their summer homes over the past few years and were delighted to experience blossoming cherry trees in March and fiery reds in the fall," Azevedo said. "You just never know, so I design gardens that are beautiful year-round."

Interior design is fixed and static, but landscape design creates a living, breathing, changing outdoors that can be enjoyed through a window, on a walk or seated outdoors.

"I plan vistas to be viewed from the windows of the home, while also designing spaces to enjoy the aromas and colors of the flowers up close," Azevedo added. "The same garden should be for the person reading in the living room and the person reading by the pool."

In the world of landscape design, Azevedo has kudos and accreditations, with work showcased in magazines, galleries and books. He is a member of the Association of Professional Landscape Designers, the American Horticultural Society and the Horticultural Alliance of the Hamptons. His work has been showcased from *Architectural Digest* to an exhibition at the Leo Castelli Gallery in New York City.

"I always use native or well-adapted plants. So many of the plants and flowers that I choose are different for a project in Florida than for one in the Hamptons," he said. "I work in a site-specific way, so every project is different. A plant that thrives in the sandy soil of one property could suffer on a landscape only a few miles away."

While general principles exist, he said designs for each garden must meet the homeowner's goals and tastes.

"The goal of landscape design is different every time," Azevedo said. "It's something that's specific to each site and client, but I think there are certain intentions that I have going into all of my projects: sustainability, interaction, and beauty."

Landscape design is about creating beauty that renews itself, a painting that shifts with seasons.

"I always want to consider the most sustainable way to design. That could mean choosing native or well-adapted plants and flowers, creating pollinator-friendly gardens, or designing meadows," he said. "A landscape should also invite people into nature and bring their lives outdoors."

Plants with beautiful colors provide brushstrokes for the outdoors. Think of a garden as a painting that is constantly being painted.

"Color has sort of become my signature and I compose palettes that respond to the client and their lifestyle as well as the conditions of the environment," he said.

Azevedo uses "homogeneous yellow blooms to introduce a waterfront, rich green moss gardens for meditating and reading" and "oranges and pinks to support the energy of cocktail parties and poolside gatherings."

"I try to design gardens that are exciting, but still feel a little carefree, like nature," he said. "The atmosphere of the garden is built on color."

Azevedo lives and works in various regions, tailoring each garden to the region and the residents.

"My design goes where I go, and I live between Florida, LA, New York City and the Hamptons and travel often," he said. "Designing in Palm Beach is about sustainability and life often lived outdoors, which is the best way to be. I bring the living room, library, and kitchen outdoors among plants and flowers in a natural-feeling way."

He sees designs as "natural compositions of texture and softer colors for strolls and entertaining. It's about balance." he said.

In addition to doing landscape design, Azevedo owns the Garden Market and Concept Store in the Hamptons, mixing flora and furniture to create beautiful, outdoor living spaces.

"Clients would spend a little time with their new landscapes and show up at my store to buy furniture for their new favorite spots where they've discovered butterflies or bunnies like to visit," he said. "It's an ongoing relationship when you design with living things."

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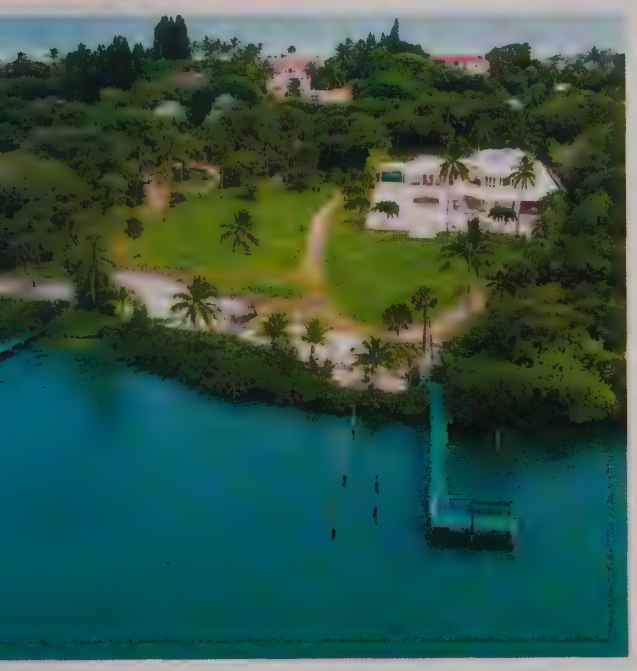

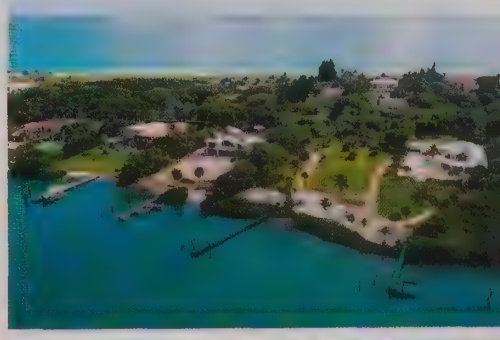

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Ron Genereux puts the finishing touches on a Hudson Valley landscape. *Photo by Vicki Khuzami*

RON *of Artgroove* GENEREUX

story by Taylor K. Vecsey

Most people visit a public space to view murals. Those fortunate enough may have exquisite fine art hanging on their walls. What if you could have a masterpiece surrounding you, inside your very own space?

Ron Genereux, the founder and artistic director of Artgroove, delivers just that — custom murals on a large scale — to clients, in residences and commercial spaces from Palm Beach to the Hamptons, Mexico City to Hell's Kitchen in New York City.

What started as a painter's studio has worked closely with decorators and designers including the world-renowned interior designer Bunny Williams, the late great Albert Hadley, and the longest-established interior decorating firm in Great Britain, Sibyl Colefax & John Fowler, among many others.

Each mural can have a different intent depending on a client's need. "Sometimes if you have an architectural mural, it imposes order on a room," Genereux says. "Whereas if you're doing a scenic mural you're transporting them to another place. That's a unique thing. How a mural is different from a painting is that it encompasses everything — it wraps the room, it fits around the architecture and it transports you to the place where the mural is."

Genereux, a highly skilled oil painter in his own right, works with other artists and artisans who bring a unique set of skills to the breadth of work Artgroove manages.

Artgroove also has created wall art for casinos, hotels, restaurants and banquet rooms. Now a 22-year-old business, Genereux has created a niche market for residential work especially.

It was while Genereux, a native of Worcester, Massachusetts, was attending Pratt Institute in New York that he discovered he loved painting murals. He was studying illustration and painting, but working toward a minor in art history with a

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keen interest in Renaissance art. "All of these palazzos were frescoed and painted," he says. "I thought that's something I want to do. I like architecture, I like melding architecture with painting," he adds, "I liked the idea of creating art that was site-specific, made only for that space — art that only makes sense in that space."

"So I actually went to my department head and said, 'I think I want to paint murals. I don't know that I want to be an illustrator.' He was like, 'Well, that's ridiculous.' . . . and I said, 'Okay, I officially don't care what you think anymore!' And I just did what I was going to do anyway."

After school, he went off to Italy — perhaps no more perfect setting to begin a career painting murals. Once Genereux returned to Manhattan, he continued to paint murals for private clients, and then joined a large decorative arts studio as the art director. He started his own company in 1999.

Interior decorators and architects he has worked with before recommend him for his high-quality work and ability to complete complex projects.

Usually, they come to him with the concept. Together, they discuss the color palette and the style of painting. Artgroove "runs the gamut when it comes to style," Genereux explains, everything from modern, abstract murals to 19th-century landscape paintings, and Art Deco style to Expressionistic. With each request, Artgroove will then pull references and do research. "It's great to get a little bit of specific education from each project," he says, explaining that he is looking at "What makes this style or period? Because now I have to create my own and it has to look like it came from this period."

"Luckily, some clients really defer to us and those are always the most successful jobs — clients that are engaged and have ideas but don't try to completely manage it . . . you have to have a little bit of creative room on the leash so that you can make something."

Scale drawings, known as maquettes, follow. First a pencil sketch is done to show to the clients and if the response is favorable, then it is colored in. In fact, he is considering doing a show of these maquettes he has kept from the last two decades.

Then comes the painting in Artgroove's Manhattan studio. The artists hang heavy-duty muslin — a lightweight smooth canvas — and stretch it out. It can be stretched out to 100 feet long and trimmed to the required size.

Most of the time, the spaces that Genereux is creating art for don't even exist yet. "We're almost always working off of blueprints, but then as the space starts to become ready, we always want to field-verify before we cut anything."

They will always paint extra material that can be trimmed during the installation process. However, if the painting has to line up with something architecturally, then verifying the measurements in the field is a must. How far in advance do clients come to him? "Not far enough," he says quickly.

There is no easy answer when it comes to how long a certain project will take. It all depends on the size and complexity. None has ever been less than a month, he says. Typical jobs are at least a few months. During a recent conversation, he was working on a Hudson River Valley landscape that was 17 feet long and 7 ½ feet high. It has been a three-year-long endeavor.

Artgroove redid all the murals for Tavern on the Green in Manhattan in the 10 years before the famed restaurant closed. He took photos of three different springs at Central Park for one oil painting, which was 170 feet long and 8 ½ feet high. About 10 people worked on it for almost a year. "It was the most mind-blowing painting," he recalls. Just a few years later, Tavern on the Green closed and he says the painting was auctioned off.

Murals don't just cover a single, flat surface, but often wrap around an entire room. "We've done I don't know how many

lattice murals down in Palm Beach and it's always the whole room and sometimes the ceiling as well," he says.

About five years ago, one project in Palm Beach was very elaborate. "It was all intricate lattice work — really intricate so it had neoclassical carvings, but then all the lattice was painted in the mural in like a dark green and then glazed so they have an age to it," he explains. For the wooden beams and baseboards on-site, he painted and glazed them with the exact same color. "So when we put our murals up, the painted architecture went right into the real architecture and you were like, 'Wait a minute. What's real and what's not?' It all became one room and I like when that happens."

In West Palm Beach, one recently completed mural for the award-winning designer Harry Heissmann may just make you feel as if you're under water surrounded by sea kelp. Located in a new building, it's the first thing you see when you get off the elevators. The entry desk was painted a dark brown, too. "When you come out of the elevator, it looks like you're in an aquarium because the rest of it just goes away and it feels dark," Genereux says.

While Genereux has been focused on the art direction of his growing business, in recent years he has been getting back to doing the actual artistry, partly because Artgroove is so busy and he cannot find enough people to do the work the way he wants. "Also because I miss painting," he says.

Asked if he is a perfectionist, he says, "If you said that out loud to the people who work for me, you would get a pretty big laugh." He then walks into another room and asks them and they do indeed laugh.

"I honestly believe it's one of the reasons we've stayed busy for all the 20 years. Nothing is going out the door unless it's looking really good."

View more of Artgroove's work at artgroovenyc.com

A custom Moroccan tile wallcovering, designed and created by Artgroove to create further architectural structure with decoration, in a Palm Beach home designed by Bunny Williams. *Photo by Francesco Lagnese*

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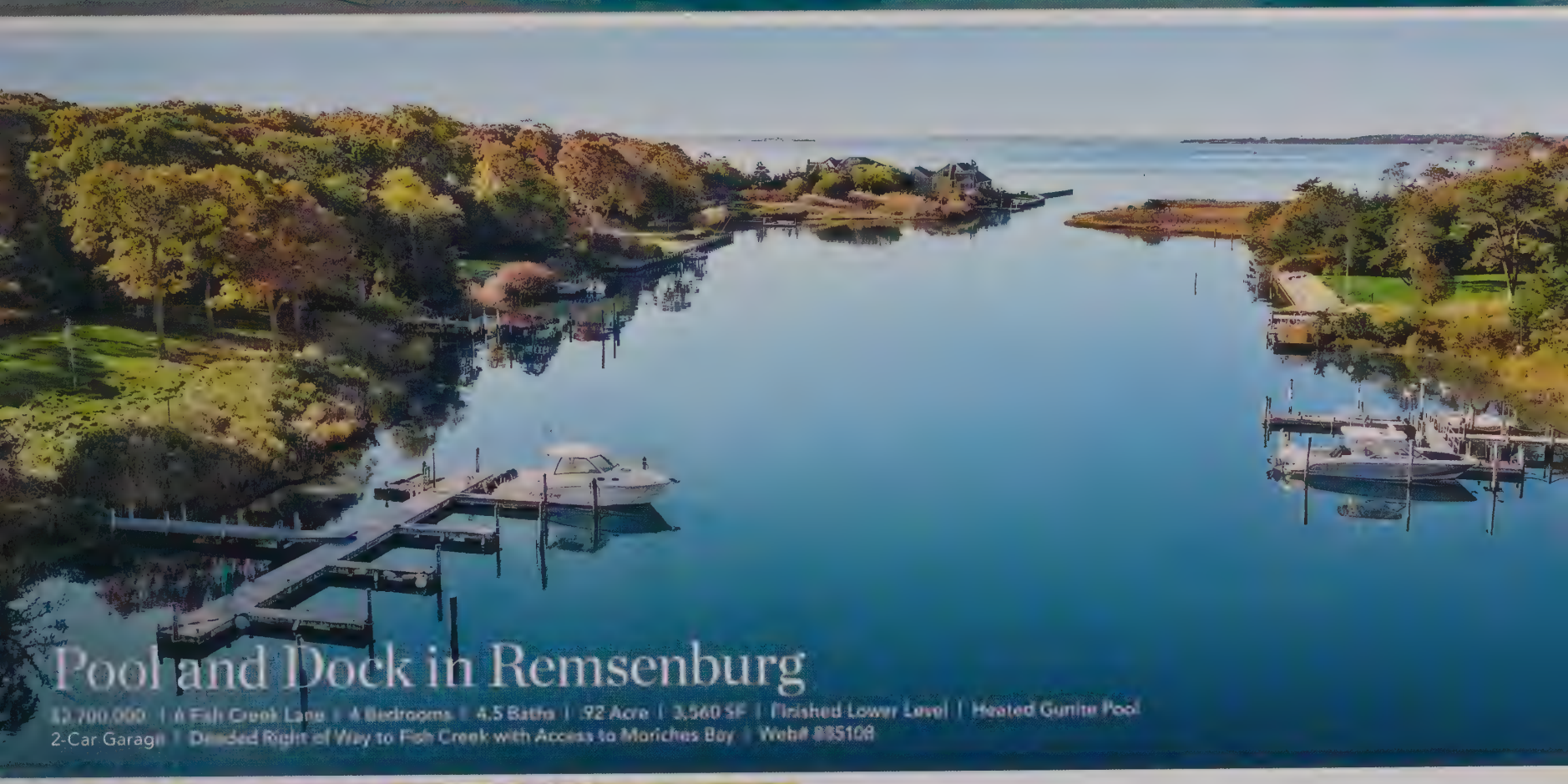

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SALES *in 2021* PALM BEACH

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6275 N. Ocean Blvd., Ocean Ridge
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12525 Seminole Beach Road, North Palm Beach
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Real estate in Palm Beach, like the Hamptons, continues to boom amid the COVID-19 pandemic. Those fortunate enough are willing to pay a premium for space and privacy, and 2021 proved to be a banner year.

A newly finished beachfront home set a record not only in Palm Beach, but in the entire state of Florida, when it sold for a staggering $122.7 million. Ryan Serhant, who started his eponymous brokerage in 2019, brokered the deal with Douglas Elliman's Christopher Leavitt to close the deal in February for their client, reported by *The New York Post* to be New York financier Scott Shleifer. Lawrence Moens of Lawrence A. Moens Associates represented the seller.

The very next month, a restored landmark home at 172 S. Ocean Blvd. sold for $45.6 million. Gary Pohrer of Douglas Elliman represented the seller of La Salona, a Midtown estate which faces the ocean and sits on almost an acre. The Mediterranean-style home offers a total of 19,434 square feet of living space with 16 bedrooms, including guest apartments.

E. Burke Ross Jr., the president of Palm Beach-based ADEC Private Equity, and his wife Susan Lutz Ross had owned the property since 1989, when they bought it for — are you ready? — $2.25 million.

Back in April, the third largest oceanfront compound in all of Palm Beach County sold for a whopping $80 million. The estate at 12525 Seminole Beach Road/12210 Banyan Road is also reportedly one of a handful of residential properties in Florida on which a helicopter can land.

The Tuscan-like also offers "an unmatched direct oceanfront," according to the Douglas Elliman listing, with 520 feet of ocean frontage in the ultra-exclusive, gated neighborhood of Seminole Landing.

Chris Leavitt and Ashley McIntosh represented the seller, while fellow Douglas Elliman agent Tonja Garamella represented buyer.

Just last month, the oceanfront estate at 6275 N. Ocean Blvd. in Ocean Ridge, part of Palm Beach County, sold for $27 million. Corcoran agents Candace and Phil Friis represented both the sellers and the buyers for this property, which includes access to a private beach.

Built as the ultimate playground for the owners' grandkids, the Bermuda-style mansion has two nautically themed bunkrooms, an *Alice in Wonderland*-inspired play area, a Tiki hut and a pool with a waterslide. There is a room for every purpose, from a dedicated "wrapping" room for Christmas and holiday gifts to two lavish laundry rooms.

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Sellers transacting today typically have life-choice-related timing concerns that make them more amenable to working with qualified buyer terms than they were in 2020. However, many prospective sellers continue to test the waters with high pricing in the face of declining inventory.

This is especially true in the luxury price points (above $5 million) where sellers are more likely to take the stance, "If I don't hit my number, I'm happy to enjoy another summer."

Buyers who are serious about closing typically have timing ideals, but are more likely willing to wait to find the right property - where they can find some value through the purchase process.

The decision to purchase a home in the Hamptons remains strong going into 2022, but transaction numbers are low relative to true demand, simply due to the fact that there is very little on offer.

As we head into 2022, it is quite literally one listing on the market, two listings under contract, in Hamptons real estate, as eager second-home buyers begin to look to rent once again for summer of 2022.

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Listing inventory decreased 48.6% year over year - from 961 available listings for sale from Southampton to Montauk on January 1, 2021, to a meager 494 on January 1, 2022.

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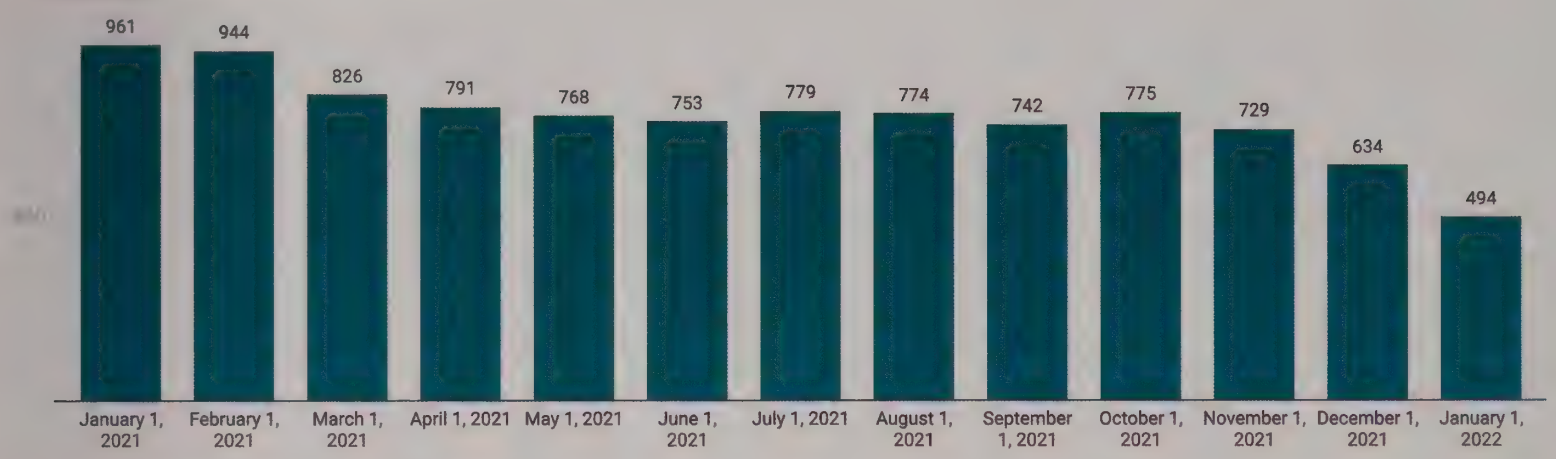

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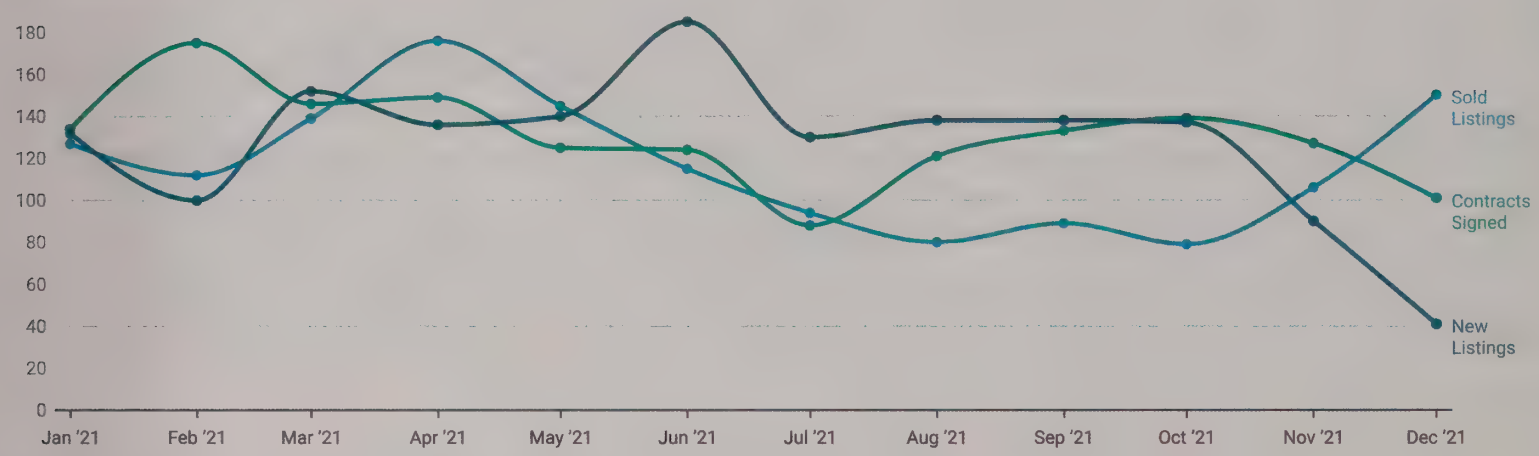

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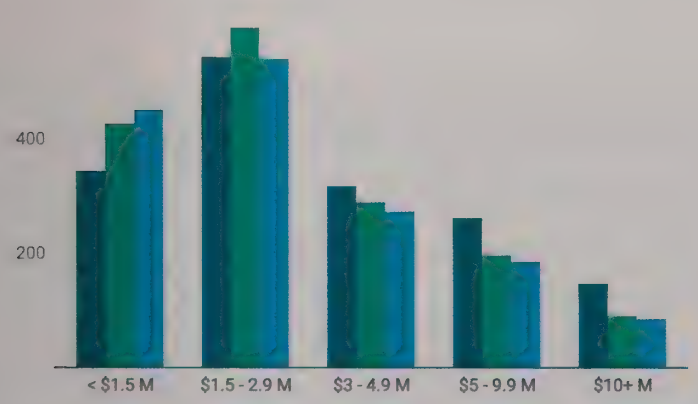

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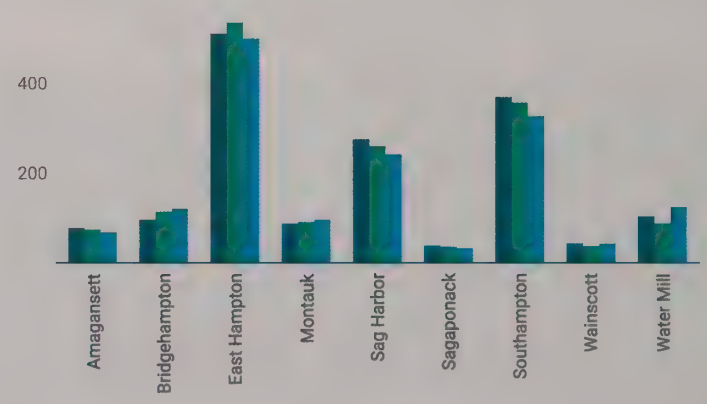

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Number of New Listings

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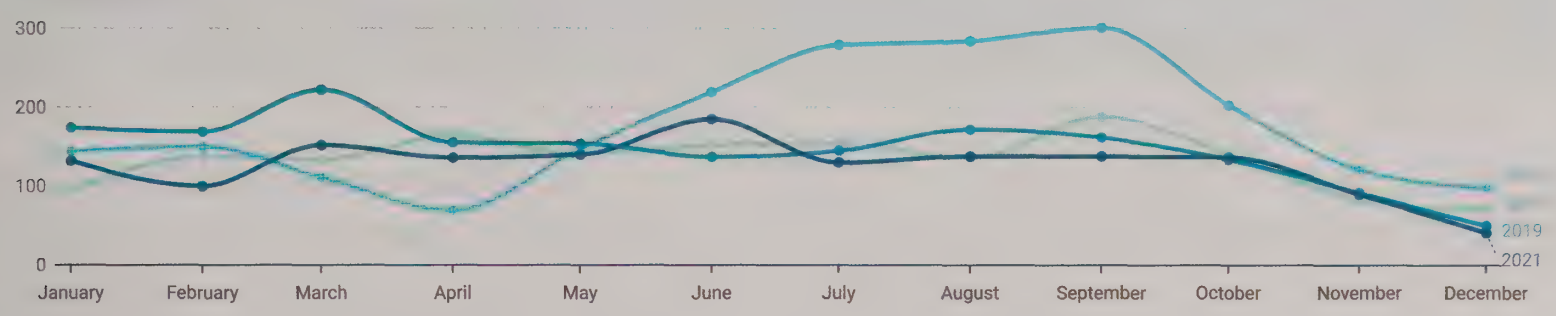

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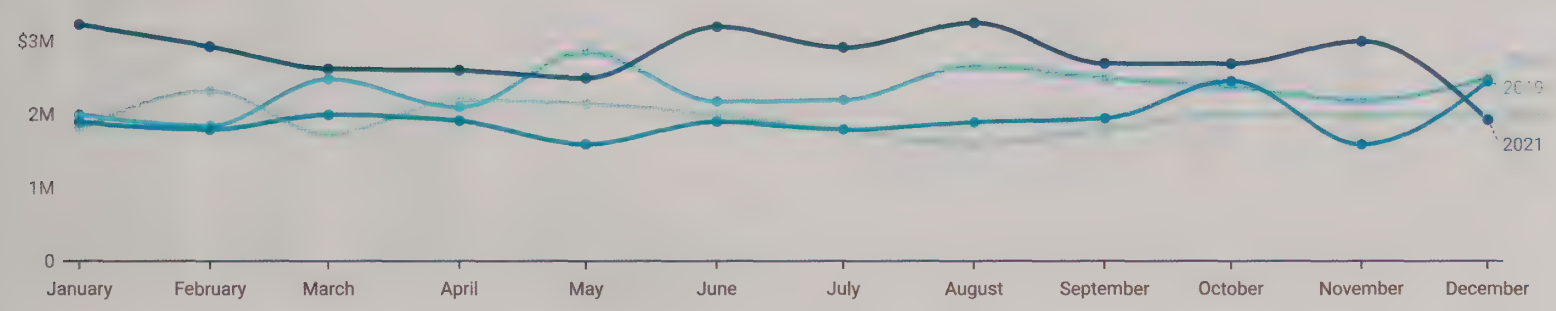

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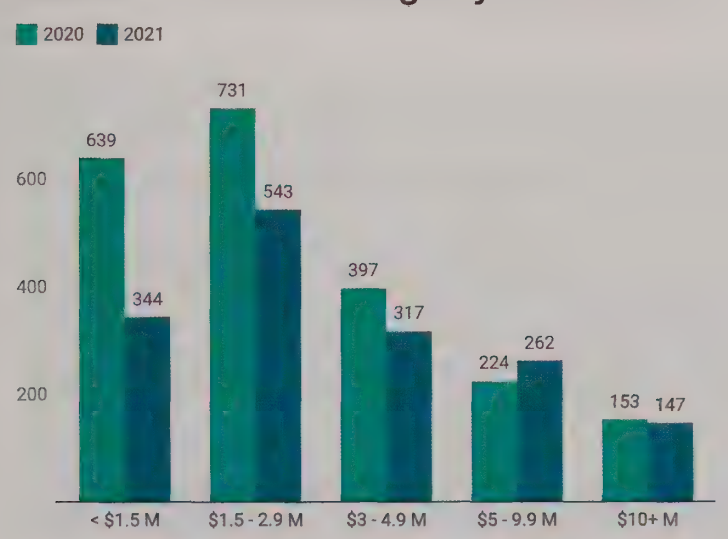

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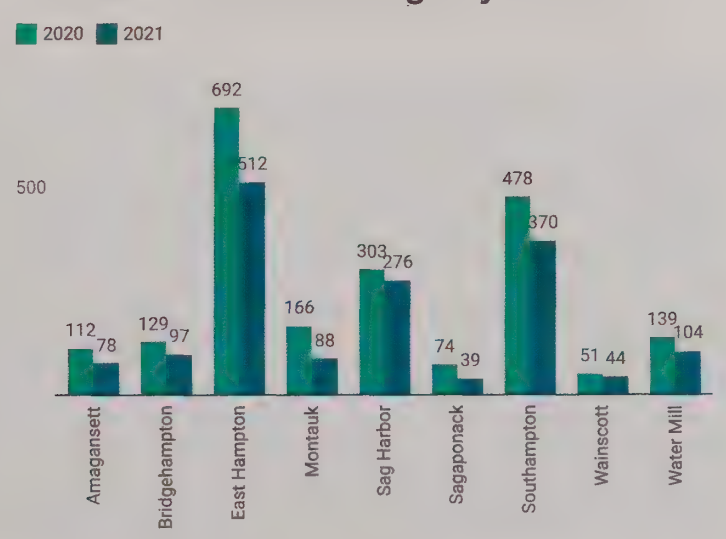

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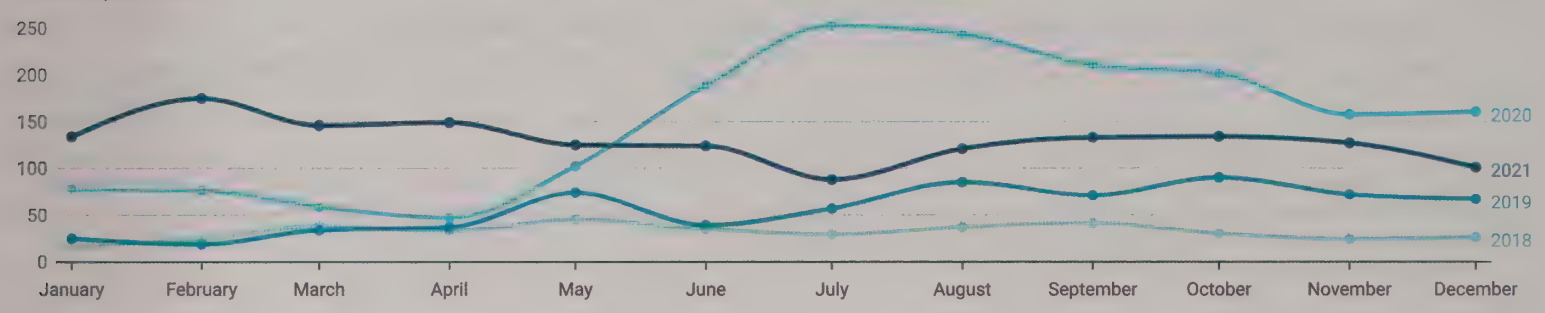
2021 Total Contracts Signed		%+/-	2020
Contracts Signed	1599	-11.9%	1815
Median Last Asking Price	$2.395M	+20.1%	$1.995M
Days from List to Contracts Signed	89	-42.9%	156

The month of December 2021 saw only forty-four new listings come on the market, while one hundred and one went under contract – a 77.8% difference in new supply versus buyer demand.

Number of Contracts Signed

The Hamptons 2021



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Median Last Asking Price

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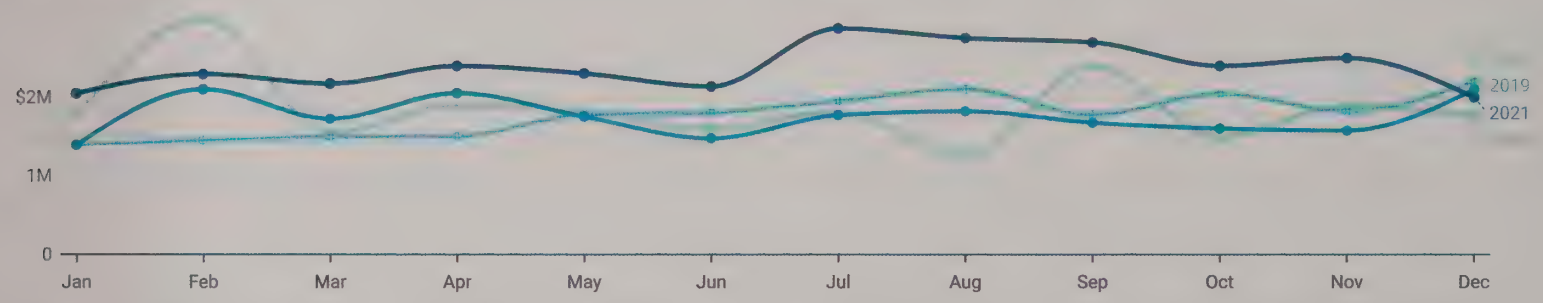

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Days from List to Contract Signed

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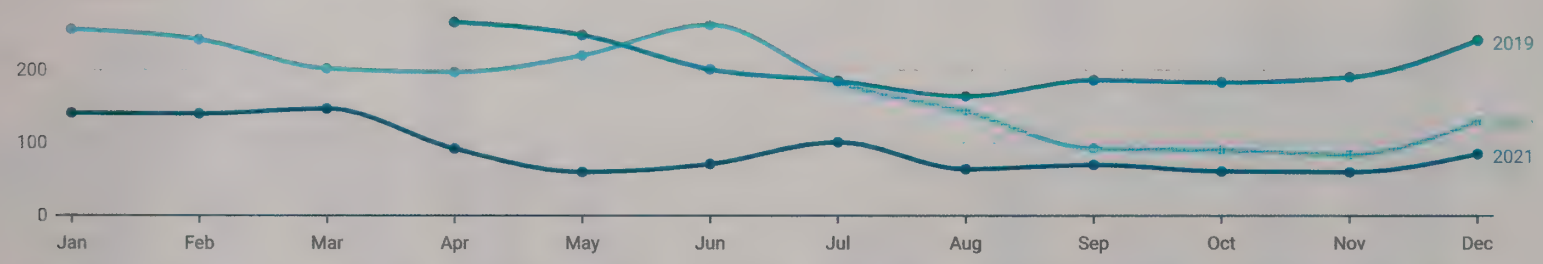

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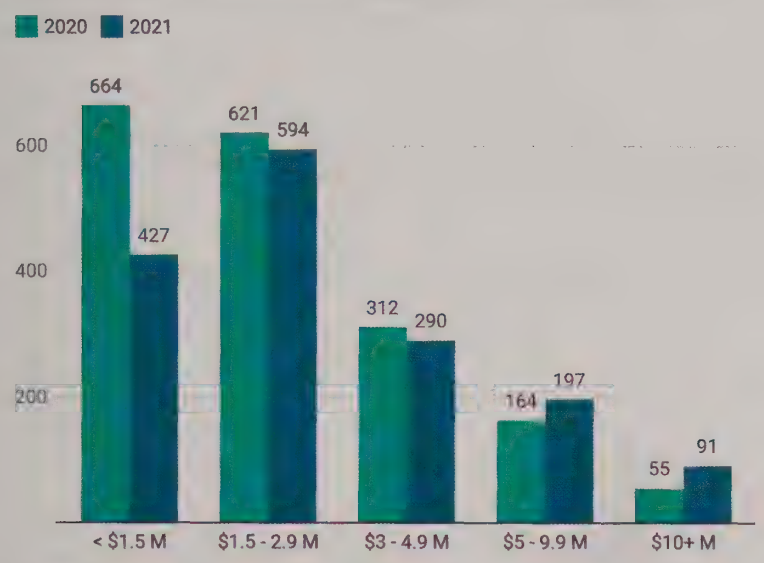
While the number of contracts signed is no longer as high as the levels we saw in the last half of 2020, the number of contracts that were signed in the last quarter of 2021 was still 135% higher than the average of the pre-COVID fourth quarters of 2019 and 2018 combined.

Number of Contracts Signed by Price Point



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Number of Contracts Signed by Area

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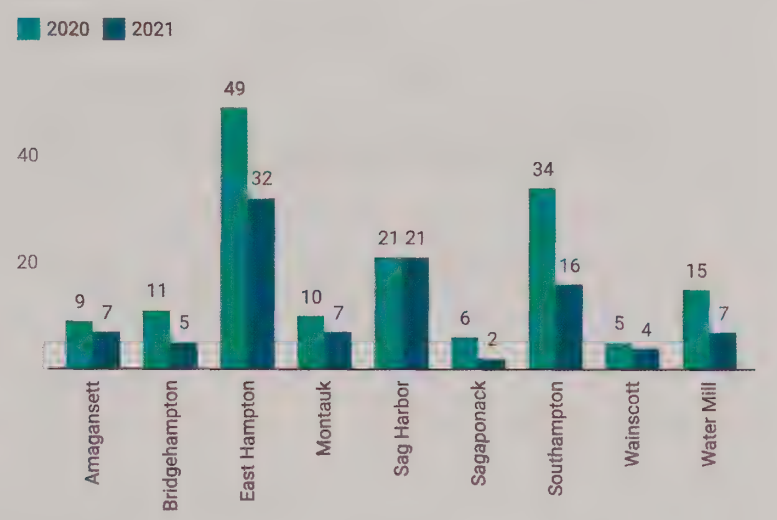

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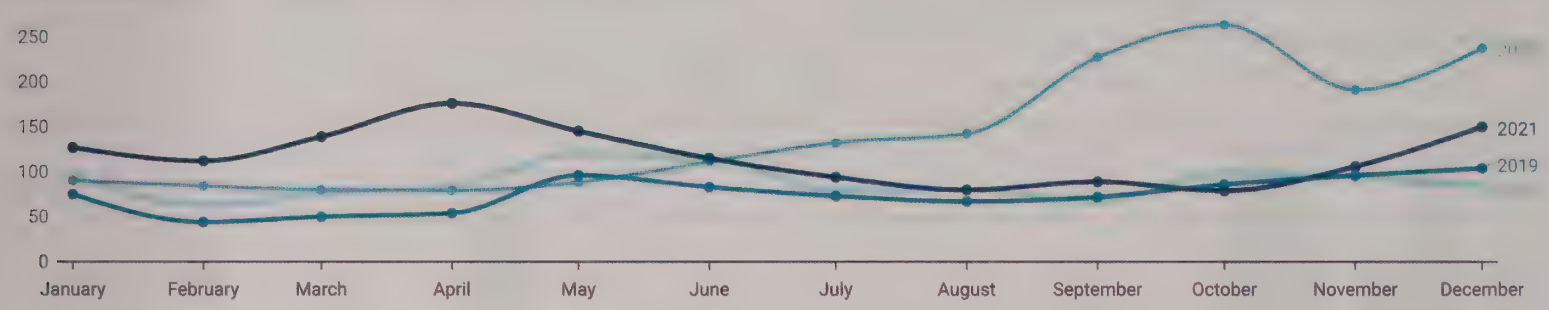
The large difference between the number of properties going under contract from June 2020 through December 2021 relative to the amount of new listings put on offer during the same time has taken a big toll on the real estate market – that has driven prices even higher than the massive rush on properties did in late summer and fall of 2020.

2021 Total Sold Listings		%+/-	2020
Number Sold	1538	-11%	1729
Median Sales Price	$2.25M	+18.5%	$1.899M
Days from List to Close	175	-30.3%	251
Median Listing Discount	-3.02%	-48.3%	-4.48%

In 2021, sellers were 48.3% less negotiable and homes listed and closed 30% faster than in 2020.

Number of Sold Listings

The Hamptons 2021



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Median Sold Price

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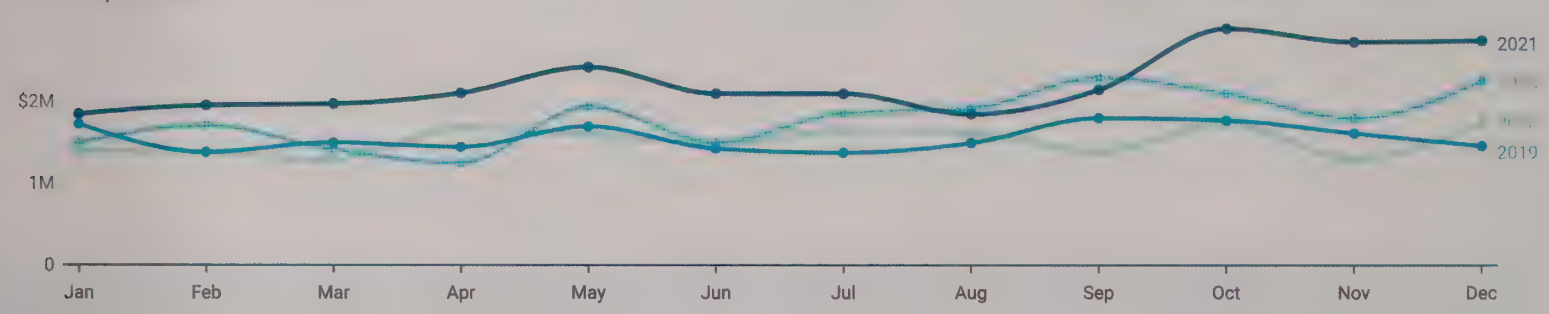

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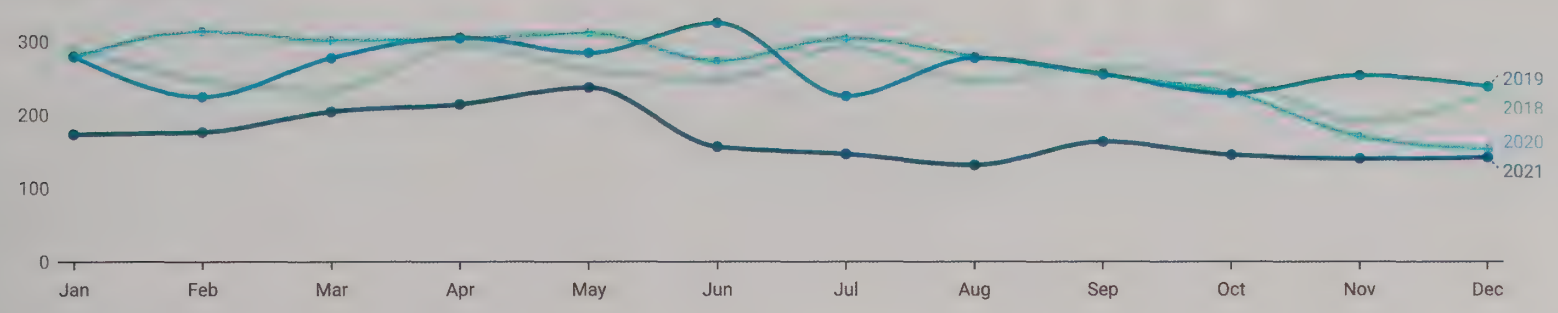
The annual median sold price of Hamptons homes increased 18.5% YoY.

Days from List to Close

The Hamptons 2021



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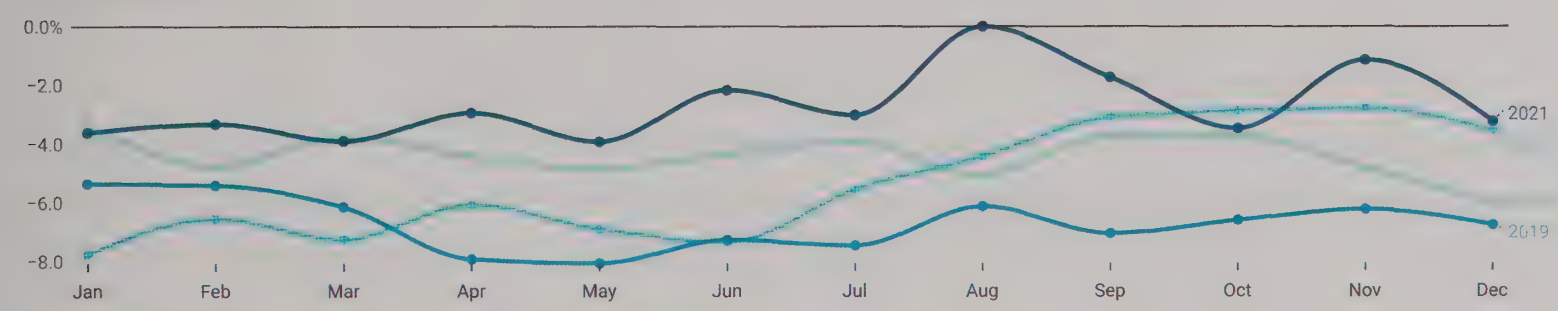

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Number of Sold Listings by Price Point

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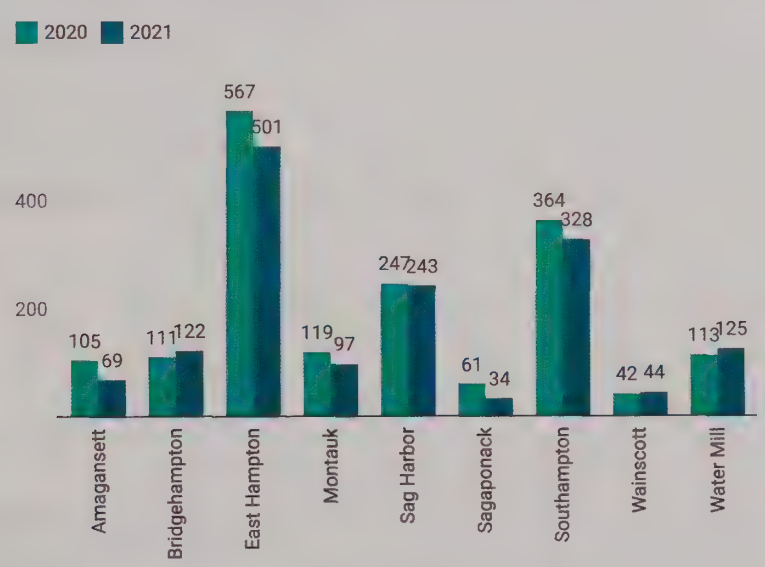

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WINTER WATCH / MARKET KEEPS WARM

RC Atlee and Adrianna Nava recap a hot year in Hamptons real estate, and forecast 2022.

Get a big mug of hot coffee and pat yourself on the back, real estate consumers and professionals! You made it through the scaries of 2020 when citydwellers were rabidly out bidding each other. Now, you can say that you weathered the 2021 bull market... or cattle auction, as many might characterize it.

In all price points, multiple offer negotiations were commonplace. Potential buyers' hope for more listings to browse (and take demand down) was not realized; "It's been a one in, one out inventory list in many months," says Adrianna Nava, founder of Hamptons Market Data. "When inventory goes up, deals in contract and closing do the same."

R.C. Atlee represents buyers and sellers in partnership with Nava at Compass Hamptons. In a year with low inventory and high sales volume, he says it's been "the best circus since 2008." Some tired real estate veterans even hung up their hats and sold their East End homes, taking advantage of market conditions and heading to warmer climates.

"When it's like this, you either quit, or double down," he says, "or if you're an outsider, you try to get in on the action." New licensees are plentiful, and Atlee says he's had a call every other week from a client or friend who wants to get into the business.

"New licencees can bring energy and innovation to the business," says Nava, who coaches both new and seasoned agents around the country. "But at the moment, the Hamptons market needs new listings more than it needs new agents."

Who can ignore the numbers? Shrewd and surprising sellers (many of whom probably don't need to downsize) made moves in 2021, listing iconic homes that might not have found the same audience in a different climate. Though they may have sticker shock when they go to reinvest in local real estate, with fierce competition from other parties who have been waiting in the wings to buy.

"Selling is easier than purchasing right now, so trading up or downsizing is a delicate path to navigate," says Atlee. "You can't sell your home in today's currency, and then purchase in yesterday's, unfortunately. But, if you want to cash out, this could be a good time." Just imagine what you'd do with the proceeds of one of these ten landmark sales of 2021:

SALE PRICE	PROPERTY ADDRESS
$105 million	90 Jule Pond Drive, Water Mill
$85 million	75 West End Avenue, East Hampton
$70 million	840 Meadow Lane, Southampton
$60 million	30 Spaeth Lane, East Hampton
$59 million	70 Further Lane, East Hampton
$55 million	442 Further Lane, East Hampton
$47 million	38 Matthews Road, Wainscott
$45 million	115 Beach Lane, Wainscott
$43 million	40 Meadow Lane, Southampton
$38 million	260/264 Jobs Lane, Bridgehampton

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MID-WINTER WARMTH With all the BELLS AND WHISTLES

story by Taylor K. Vecsey

A brand new home in the coveted Estate Section on Palm Beach Island, with views out over the Atlantic Ocean. What more could one ask for when flying south with the snowbirds?

This palatial compound, just a few streets from Mar-a-Lago, is not just for the winter, though. With 14,000 square feet and a true Florida rarity, a fully finished lower level, there is plenty of space to stay all year and spread out.

"Known for mega-mansions, the Estate Section in Palm Beach epitomizes luxury and is home to some of the world's wealthiest families," says Chris Deitz, who, with fellow Compass agent Jonathan Duerr, represents the property that hit the sizzling Palm Beach market for $52.5 million earlier this month.

"We wanted to create a home that stood out amongst the rest in the neighborhood, so we came up with a neoclassical style that exudes modern flair," says Deitz, who worked closely with the developer at 1030 South Ocean Boulevard. "Because this is not your traditional spec home, we took our time to ensure every aspect was custom and meticulous. From the initial shovel, the home took 24 months to complete."

Stand out it does.

The striking home with limestone cladding, trim and columns offers expansive spaces for entertaining, while the shape of the home creates a luxurious atrium that provides privacy and tranquility.

The home begins with a foyer that leads to a long gallery that separates the main living and dining rooms. A sun-filled loggia can be found off the living room, while three sets of French doors from the dining room allow for a picture-perfect view of the pool in the courtyard.

A family room just off the foyer leads to a chef's gourmet kitchen that features two islands and top-of-the-line appliances. A butler's pantry connects to the dining room.

On the opposite end of the home is a grand circular staircase flanked on either side by a "VIP" bedroom, with access to a second loggia and the library, which features a bar and seating area.

On the second floor, the substantial owner's suite boasts a large terrace with ocean views, dual custom walk-in closets with dressing areas, dual bathrooms, a separate Roman tub and a steam shower.

Five more ensuite bedrooms can also be found on this level, including a separate guest wing for the ultimate in privacy. Most of the spacious and stylish bedrooms have terraces.

The home also offers a Florida rarity, an extensive basement, which includes a custom wine cellar, a game room, a home gym with a steam shower and a media/theater room with all the latest technological bells and whistles.

"There are so many aspects of this home that are custom and appealing," says Deitz. "From the sheer volume of the rooms to the mahogany windows and doors, no detail was spared."

The European white oak floors, for instance, were completed by Stile, a company that produces the highest quality marine grade plywood on the market, he adds.

Many of the rooms feature stylish tray ceilings and high-end LED Element tech-lighting, along with flangeless, recessed adjustable and fixed light fixtures. The home also features Linear flush slot diffusers for air conditioning throughout the ceilings, and offers Lutron smart home features and Savant automation.

"I personally love the home office space and walk-in wine room," Deitz says.

The 0.58-acre property includes a heated gunite pool with a three-layer water feature and a spa, surrounded by high-end marble pavers. A nearby cabana with its own bedroom and bath allows for a quick change after a refreshing dip in the pool. There is also a three-car garage.

For $52.5 million, the home comes fully furnished.

Deitz says, "We decided to furnish the home so that the future buyer can immediately enjoy the property instead of waiting on furniture for multiple months," a very real concern in the midst of widespread product shortages.

The artwork hanging on the walls is excluded from the price, however. "The prestigious Brintz Gallery in Palm Beach provided us with the gorgeous works of art seen throughout the home, which add to its modern beach vibe," says Deitz.

The artwork is available for purchase through a separate agreement.

The home sits on a high elevation and the property includes deeded beach access across the street. "The views and deeded beach access will be key with potential buyers, in addition to the separate guest quarters which is ideal for live-in help," says Deitz.

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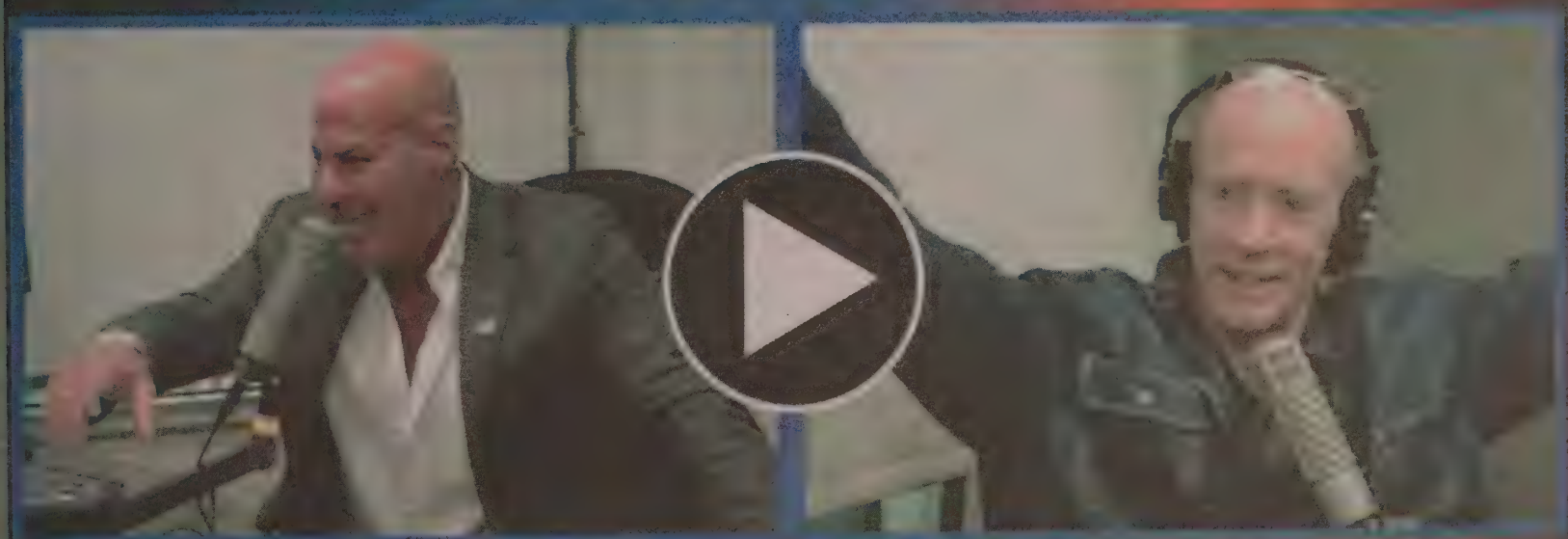

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What a week it was

Sunny **Palm Beach** had a tornado watch on Sunday, but the sweeping and swaying palm trees didn't take away from my love affair with my new winter home.

With the launch of ***Dan's Papers Palm Beach***, we wanted to expand our iconic **East End** paper's reach to Florida, where many of our loyal readers spend the winter months. Just like with our other media, the *Dan's Papers Palm Beach* motto is: "We're all about you!"

I take pride in the fact that my media brings high-quality local news to our readers, and it's always a treat when others recognize how powerful our coverage can be.

The ***Bayside Times***, one of our Queens papers, was recently featured on ***The Drew Barrymore Show***, a nationally televised program.

In December, our Queens team reported on how LIJ Forest Hills nurse Victoria Osei was given a "home makeover" on behalf of the show. The story was featured on the front cover of the Bayside Times and word spread to the show's producers.

Host and Hamptons resident **Drew Barrymore** featured the story on air and said it was an "honor" to be on the front cover of the *Bayside Times*! You can check out the TV clip on **QNS.com**!

Kudos to our reporter Carlotta Mohamed and what fun to see our media continuing to provide the kind of local news coverage that can't be found anywhere else!

Drew Barrymore shows off the Bayside Times front cover story!

Sheila Levy with Paula Lescht

Our newest venture, *Dan's Papers Palm Beach*, will stay true to our mission and showcase the people and flavor of the neighborhoods in Palm Beach County.

I was delighted to have lunch with my 22-year employee and dear friend **Sheila Levy** at **BiCE Ristorante Palm Beach** on **Worth Avenue**.

The restaurant, celebrating 100 years in business, was founded and inspired by **Beatrice Ruggeri**. The third generation of the family operates around the world with a great mission statement: "Restaurants with Passion."

Having lunch there, I found they live up to their reputation of fine Italian food and attentive service.

Earlier in the week, I had lunch outdoors under the signature orange umbrella at **Sant Ambroeus**, which is located in the charming **Royal Poinciana Plaza** in Palm Beach (there are also locations in **Southampton** and **Manhattan**).

I'm dieting and trying to avoid eating bread, but their rolls were too delicious to pass up — soft on the inside with a crusty exterior topped with pumpkin seeds!

The Colony Hotel offers chairs and umbrellas at the nearby beach.

Christine Pressman, who is helping me with the launch of *Dan's Papers Palm Beach*, and her friend **David McClymont**, CEO of the **Palm Beach Symphony** joined me at the restaurant.

David is bringing the symphony national recognition and giving the local community classical music, something he achieved virtually despite the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

I was stunned to find out that since the beginning of his tenure in 2014, he achieved a 100% increase in revenue!

What a delight to meet a man who has forged powerful sponsors and members.

Later in the week, I had the pleasure of joining **Adele Fuchsberg** and her husband **Dr. Derek Enlander** at the opening of the **La Coquille Club** in the elegant **Eau Palm Beach Resort & Spa** in **Manalapan**.

Another day, I visited the **St. Andrews Country Club** in **Boca Raton** to meet **Donna Schneier's** friends **Lynne and Howard Halpern**, who give generously to **JARC**, a nonprofit group that describes themselves as helping extraordinary people lead ordinary lives, which is very similar to the mission of **Life's WORC**, the group I founded.

At La Coquille Club with (standing) Christopher Scully, Joel and Irene Fischer, (seated) Hanifa-Anne Scully, Adele Fuchsberg and Dr. Derek Enlander.

Aside from their group homes, JARC also runs a special program that offers adults with disabilities a place to have productive days and partake in community events.

The Halperns have also embraced and supported the powerful **Birthright Israel Foundation**, enabling people with special needs to make the journey to Israel to cultivate a love for that land and people. What an extraordinary couple!

Then to finish my week I happily made my way to a nearby beautiful beach filled with colorful surfboards. As I walked on the soft sand, I felt the ocean's ripple as the warm water embraced my feet. I looked out at the endless waves and couldn't help but think how blessed I am!

Donna Schneier with Howard Halpern

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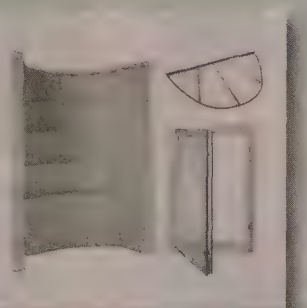

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How to Make Your Home More Resilient to Water Damage

Smart-home technology products such as Nest allow homeowners to monitor and manage the systems within their homes while they are away. Many systems allow users to control the thermostat, security and video systems, lights, appliances and more from a smartphone, tablet or computer.

Monitoring systems allow users to detect and respond to leaks and frozen pipes before damage occurs. These include automatic water shut-off devices, such as Sentinel Hydrosolutions Leak Defense System, WaterCorp and FloLogic, which monitor the flow of water in plumbing systems.

Similarly, low-temperature alarms use sensors placed in each heating zone to alert users to extreme environmental changes-including cold, heat, and humidity-helping to reduce the risk of frozen pipes and damage to climate sensitive wines, collectibles or other valuables.

Smart-home technology can also help monitor and control home temperature and humidity to help avoid burst pipes or mold.

Another way to ensure proper home temperatures and avoid pipes bursting is to conduct an energy audit to identify at-risk areas of the home. Installing a back-up generator for use during a power outage can further ensure temperatures are maintained to avoid freezing pipes.

In addition, homeowners who live in low-lying flood-prone areas would be wise to install a sump pump with a backup power source. Many sump pumps can be wired into a smart-home system.

In addition to this column's insurance tip of the week, I want readers to know they can call me for advice, questions or any coverage concerns any time at 1-866-964-4434.

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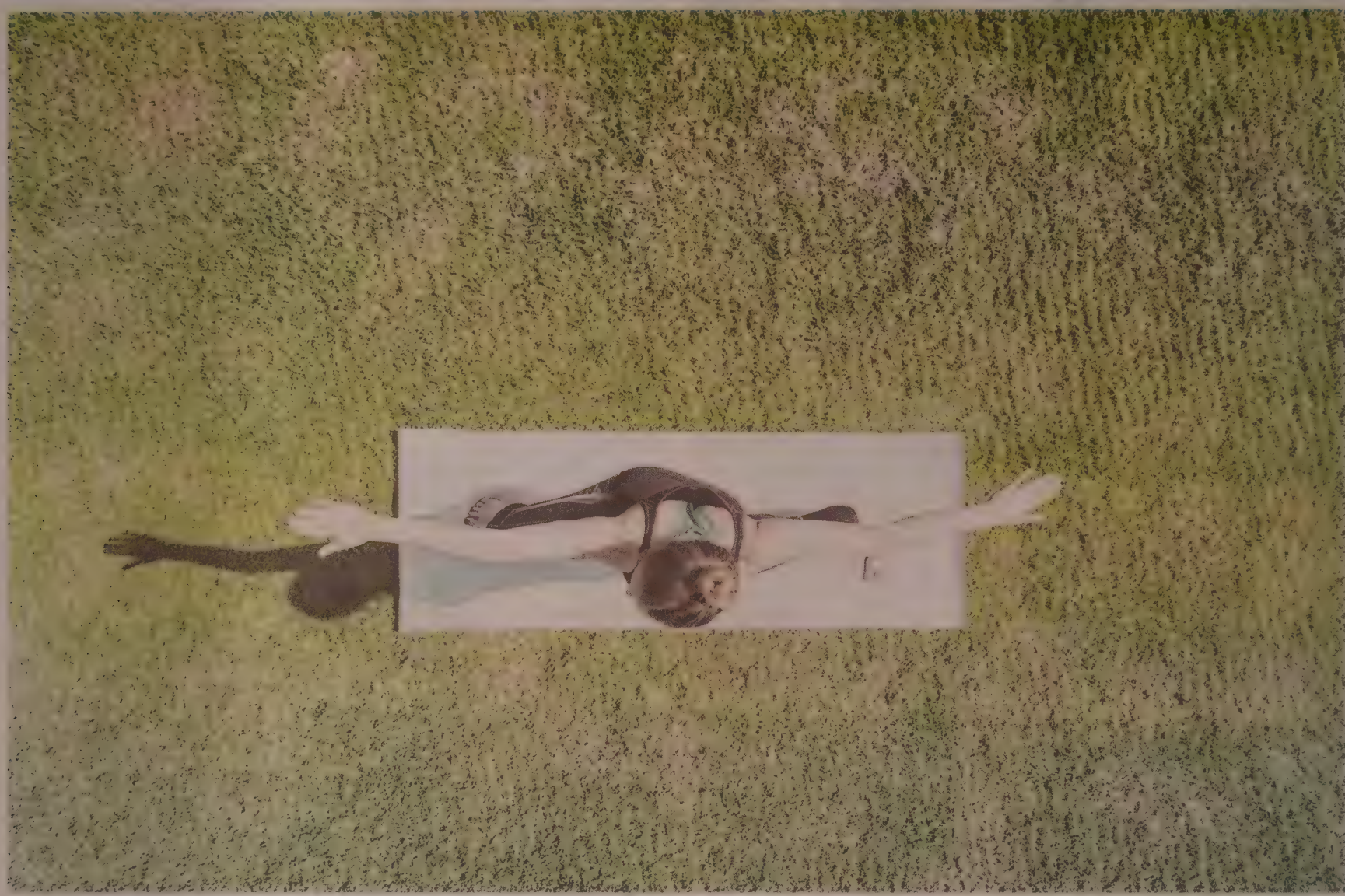

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FRIDAY, JANUARY 21, 5 P.M.

Live music, half-priced flights and an art show by The Attic are all part of the entertainment at Bedell Cellars' Corey Creek Tasting Room.

36225 Main Road, Southold. 631-734-7537, bedellcellars.com

CELEBRATING LITTLE WALTER

FRIDAY, JANUARY 21, 8 P.M.

Two fantastic artists come together to celebrate the music of Little Walter, the only pure harmonica player in the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame. John Hammond is a world-renowned blues player and guitarist, and Kim Wilson will share her stunning harmonica talents.

118 East Main Street, Riverhead. suffolktheater.com

ERIN CHASE AT PINDAR VINEYARDS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 22, 1-5 P.M.

Join Erin Chase, known for her raspy rock vocals, at Pindar Vineyards Tasting Room for an afternoon of music and bubbly.

37645 Main Road, Peconic. pindar.net

FUN ACTIVITIES

ALL AGES ROLLER SKATING

FRIDAY, JANUARY 21, 6 P.M.

Glide on over to Friday nights at the Greenport American Legion, where admission is $10 for skaters and $5 for chaperones. Skate rentals are included or you can bring your own wheels.

121 Third Street, Greenport. greenportamericanlegion.org

TRIVIA NIGHT AT SANNINO

FRIDAY, JANUARY 21, 6-8 P.M.

Do you know a lot about nothing at all? Bring your crew of up to six people over to Sannino Vineyards, where you'll enjoy glass specials and a fun atmosphere.

15971 County Road 48, Cutchogue. 631-743-8282, sanninovineyard.com

OUTDOOR YOGA: SHALA ALIGN & FLOW AT NORTH FORK YOGA SHALA

SATURDAY, JANUARY 22, 8:30 A.M.

Start off your weekend the right way at North Fork Yoga Shala, where there will be a strong emphasis on breath control and alignment. Yogis of all levels can register ahead of time.

59945 Main Road, Southold. 516-443-5626, northforkyogashala.com

EAST END FOOD MARKET

SATURDAY, JANUARY 22, 9 A.M.

Stroll through the market every Saturday to sample local food, wine and craft vendors. There is live music, activities and a chance to learn more about the community.

139 Main Road, Riverhead. 631-727-7600, riverheadchamber.com

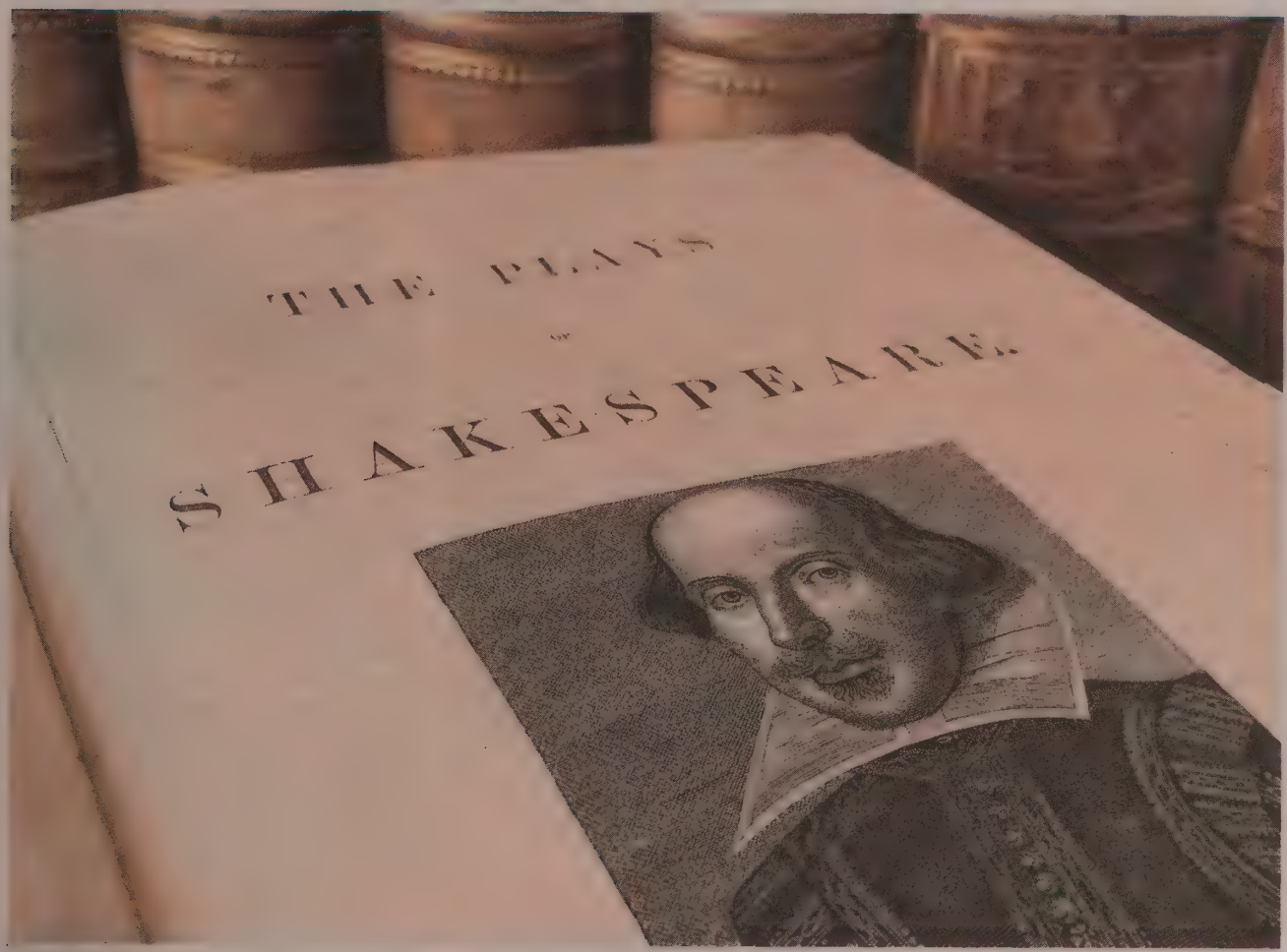
AFTERNOON TEA TASTING

SUNDAY, JANUARY 23, 3 P.M.

If you love a fine tea, don't miss your chance to sample teas, scones, cucumber sandwiches and chocolate biscotti with the Cutchogue New Suffolk Free Library at Special Effects Salon & Tea. Registration is $25.

455 Main Street, Greenport. 631-734-6360, cutchoguelibrary.org

OUT & ABOUT ON THE NORTH FORK



DIVE INTO SHAKESPEARE AT AN EYE-OPENING VIRTUAL EVENT THIS WEEK.

POKER AT ANDY'S
MONDAY, JANUARY 24, 6 P.M.
If you like Texas Hold 'Em, you'll love Andy's, where you can play every Monday night and enjoy scrumptious soups, starters and burgers. Andy's offers cozy indoor seating, plenty of drinks and a kids' menu.
34 Front Street, Greenport.
631-333-2525,
andysnofo.com

LIFE FIGURE DRAWING SESSIONS
TUESDAY, JANUARY 25,
10 A.M.-NOON
Draw from live models and a monitor set up to help you view the poses, each lasting from 2 to 20 minutes. Bring your own easel and supplies.
539 First Street, Greenport.
631-477-2647,
floydmemoriallibrary.org

WII GOLF SWING PRACTICE
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26,
9:30–11:30 A.M.
Swing on over the Grand Room of the Riverhead Free Library to get out of the cold and practice your form. The Wii game will be set up for solo or competitive adult play.
330 Court Street, Riverhead.
631-727-3228,
riverheadlibrary.org

OPEN MIC NIGHT AT GREEN HILL KITCHEN & QUE
THURSDAY, JANUARY 27, 6-9 P.M.
Show off your skills every Thursday night at the Green Hill Kitchen & Que, known for its fine barbecue and burgers. There's also a kids' menu and bubbly.
48 Front Street, Greenport.
631-477-4900, greenhillny.com

GEEK TALK: BIG FISH IN NEW YORK STATE
THURSDAY, JANUARY 27, 7-10 P.M.
Join biologists from the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation as they present "Big Fish in New York State," where you will learn about some of New York's largest saltwater fish species. DEC works to support management and research for sustainable shark conservation in New York.
400 Hallett Avenue, Riverhead.
631-381-0949, ubergeekbrewing.com

RESTAURANT WEEK AT BISTRO 72
SUNDAY, JANUARY 23–
SUNDAY, JANUARY 30
Enjoy a special two-course lunch for $20 or a three-course dinner for $35 at this Hamptons favorite. Bistro 72 is an elegant lounge located in the Hotel Indigo known for its homegrown ingredients and regional wines.
1830 West Main Street, Riverhead.
631-369-3325, bistro-72.com

VIRTUAL EVENTS

SHAKESPEARE IN COMMUNITY: THE MERCHANT OF VENICE
SATURDAY, JANUARY 22, 12:30 P.M.
Join this Zoom discussion with writer Becky Cole as she discusses themes of love, money and prejudice in this classic work of Shakespeare. Register ahead of time on the Shelter Island Public Library website.
37 North Ferry Road, Shelter Island. 631-749-0042,
shelterislandpubliclibrary.org

THE DOGS OF CHERNOBYL DOCUMENTARY
SATURDAY, JANUARY 22, 2–4 P.M.
Words, photos and videos tell the story of the inhabitants of the mostly abandoned town of Chernobyl City. Meet with two squatters and Stephan Quandt, who will discuss the impact of radiation on dogs and the environment. A Q&A session will follow.
13900 Main Road, Mattituck.
mattitucklaurellibrary.org

CHAIR & RESTORATIVE YOGA
MONDAY, JANUARY 24, 10 A.M.
Decrease stress, improve your flexibility and even lose weight from the comfort of your living room. Register ahead of time for Zoom information. You'll need a yoga mat and a towel.
53709 Main Road, Southold.
631-765-2077, southoldlibrary.org

ART EXHIBITIONS

FARMS ACROSS AMERICA
THROUGH FEBRUARY 13
Join the Alex Ferrone Gallery for this exhibit of photography, paintings, mixed media and sculptures showcasing farms throughout the United States. The museum is open Fridays through Sundays from noon–5 p.m. or by appointment.
25425 Main Road, Cutchogue.
631-734-8545, alexferronegallery.com

AMERICA IN PRINT
NOW ON VIEW
View this history of how the lithograph, invented in 1796, made color prints available for everyone to enjoy. Suddenly, average folks could enjoy the works of artists like Currier and Ives in their own homes. This exhibit captures cityscapes, landscapes and scenes from literature throughout the 19th century.
300 West Main Street,
Riverhead. 631-727-2881,
suffolkcountyhistoricalsociety.org

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LIVE SHOWS

LIVE MUSIC AT COWFISH FEATURING CHELSEA TAKAMI

FRIDAY, JANUARY 21, 6 P.M.

Enjoy the soul-soothing sounds of singer-songwriter Chelsea Takami while savoring the delicacies of land and sea at Cowfish. The elegant eatery is known for its beautiful views and attentive staff.

258 East Montauk Highway, Hampton Bays. 631-594-3868, cowfishrestaurant.com

ANYTHING GOES AT WHBPAC

FRIDAY & SATURDAY, JANUARY 21 & 22, 7 P.M.

Don't miss the Teen Troupe of the Westhampton Beach Performing Arts Center as they set sail on the Ocean Liner S.S. American. The musical has everything from love to blackmail to tap-dancing sailors. Tickets are $18 and wheelchair space is available.

76 Main Street, Westhampton Beach. 631-288-2350, whbpac.org

FUN ACTIVITIES

TWO PONDS AND A BAY VIEW HIKE

SATURDAY, JANUARY 22, 10 A.M.

Meet at the Schoolhouse Plaque on Northwest Road in East Hampton for a hike that begins on Grace Estate and skirts past Scoy and Alewive Ponds. You'll enter Cedar Point Park and enjoy a dazzling view of Gardiners Bay!

34 James Lane, East Hampton. 631-813-6988, laurie_devito@yahoo.com, ehtps.org

PASSPORT TO PARKS

SUNDAY, JANUARY 23, 1 P.M.

Don't miss your invigorating opportunity to explore the trails less traveled at Montauk Point State Park. After the hike, you'll receive a passport booklet that will allow you to earn a sticker for every park you visit.

2000 Old Montauk Highway, Montauk. 631-581-1072, parks.ny.gov/parks/61

RESTAURANT WEEK AT CALISSA

SUNDAY, JANUARY 23–SUNDAY, JANUARY 30

Celebrate Restaurant Week at one of Long Island's most talked-about eateries. Enjoy a $35 prix fixe at the bar or a $42 dinner. Your flight of delights will include a choice of Greek dip, appetizer selection and an entree such as strip steak or organic salmon. Call ahead for reservations.

1020 Montauk Highway, Water Mill. 631-500-9292, calissahamptons.com

VIRTUAL EVENTS

VIRTUAL VALENTINE'S DAY FABRIC GARLAND TAKE & MAKE KITS

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26, 7 P.M.

Arrange a pickup of the materials for your themed fabric garland with the Hampton Bays Public Library. You will also be provided with a complete tutorial via YouTube.

52 Ponquogue Avenue, Hampton Bays. 631-728-6241, dvalle@hamptonbayslibrary.org, hamptonbayslibrary.org

HOW YOU CAN HELP WITH MARINE LIFE

THURSDAY, JANUARY 27, 6:30 P.M.

Biologists from the Atlantic Marine Conservation Society will discuss climate change and its impact on whales, seals and sea turtles in New York. Find out how you can help! Register ahead of time for Zoom information.

2478 Main Street, Bridgehampton. 631-537-0015, myhamptonlibrary.org

ART EXHIBITIONS

GUIDED TOUR OF THE WATERMILL CENTER

SATURDAY, JANUARY 21, 2:30 P.M.

Don't miss one of the first tours of the new year, featuring a walk around the manicured grounds, extensive library and carefully curated art collection at the Watermill Center. The tour will take place both indoors and out, so be sure to dress appropriately. Registration is required.

39 Water Mill Towd Road, Water Mill. 631-726-4628, watermillcenter.org

ENCOUNTERS: RECENT ACQUISITIONS TO THE PERMANENT COLLECTION

THROUGH FEBRUARY 27

The *Encounters* exhibition is designed to bring together artists who have a special relationship with Long Island. Some are natives and others have maintained residences here for decades. The thought-provoking collection explores light, communities and character.

279 Montauk Highway, Water Mill. 631-283-2118, parrishart.org

DAVID TAYLOR

MONTAUK POINT STATE PARK

VOLUNTEERS OF GUILD HALL 2022 ONLINE ART EXHIBIT

THROUGH MARCH 31

Visit Guild Hall from the comfort of your home and enjoy this 90-year tradition of supporting the art center's volunteers. Many of the artists sell at major local galleries and have their own websites. Artwork will be available for purchase.

158 Main Street, East Hampton. 631-324-0806, guildhall.org

GETTY IMAGES

LEARN HOW YOU CAN HELP SEA TURTLES AND OTHER MARINE CREATURES

OUT & ABOUT WITH THE KIDS

WHAT TO DO. WHERE TO GO. WHERE TO PLAY.

CURATED BY REBEKAH YAHOVES

GETTY IMAGES

THERE MIGHT NOT BE ENOUGH SNOW ON THE GROUND TO BUILD A PROPER SNOWMAN, BUT KIDS HAVE SOME IMAGINATIVE ALTERNATIVES AVAILABLE THIS WEEK.

TOP 5 FAMILY EVENTS TO CHECK OUT THIS WEEK

LET'S MAKE A SNOWMAN STORYTIME

FRIDAY, JANUARY 21, 11 A.M.

Your little snowflake ages 1–4 can fly on over to the John Jermain Library, where they can read stories about what snowmen do when they are sleeping. Children will leave with a take-home snow activity.

201 Main Street, Sag Harbor. 631-725-0049, johnjermain.org

MINI GOLF

FRIDAY, JANUARY 21, 5 P.M.

Your little putter in grades 4–12 can get some exercise while mini-golfing in person at the Westhampton Free Library. Space is limited and students can join on a first-come, first-served basis. You can register ahead of time online.

7 Library Avenue, Westhampton Beach. 631-288-3335, westhamptonlibrary.net

WINTER LANDSCAPE DRAWING WORKSHOP

SATURDAY, JANUARY 22, 10:30 A.M.

Your mini Picasso ages 9 and up will relish this opportunity to learn about horizon lines, light direction and shadows while drawing from photographs. Advanced reservations are required and the fee is $10 per child.

377 Bridgehampton-Sag Harbor Turnpike, Bridgehampton. 631-357-9735, info@sofo.org, sofo.org

BOTTLE CAP SNOWMAN

TUESDAY, JANUARY 25, 4 P.M.

The bottle caps from your favorite soda will come in handy at the East Hampton Library, where little crafters ages 7–10 can make snowmen ornaments. Register ahead of time through phone or email.

159 Main Street, East Hampton. 631-324-0222, easthamptonlibrary.org

Find more events online at DansPapers.com/Events

MAKE YOUR OWN CANDY SUSHI

MONDAY, JANUARY 24–FRIDAY, JANUARY 28

Your teen will have a delicious time creating the sweetest sushi in town. You can stop by the Rogers Memorial Library for all the ingredients and register ahead of time for the link information for this virtual event. Young candy makers can check it out at any time of the week.

91 Coopers Farm Road, Southampton. 631-283-0774, myrml.org

FAMILY FUN ATTRACTIONS ON THE EAST END

THE ALL-STAR

Beyond your typical bowling experience, The All-Star offers options like Hyperbowling, which is an impressive blend of electronics, lights and sensors that will take your kiddos' games to the next level. There's also an All-American grill with burgers, pizzas and drinks for all.

96 Main Road, Riverhead. 631-998-4234, theallstargrill.com

BOOM! BURGER

You can't go wrong with the wide array of clever appetizers, dipping sauces and burger options at this Hamptons favorite. Nutella sandwiches, fried PB&J and deep-fried Pop Tarts are also part of the tasty fun.

85 Montauk Highway, Westhampton Beach. 631-998-4663, boomburgerwhb.com

THE CLUBHOUSE

Kids can enjoy some serious entertainment at this East Hampton hot spot. Play classic arcade games like pinball and claw, as well as bowling lanes. And while you're there, chow down on some delicious burgers, apps and rustic pizzas.

174 Daniels Hole Road, East Hampton. 631-537-2695, clubhousehamptons.com

EAST HAMPTON GRILL

Little and big eaters will love dinner at the East Hampton Grill. Heavenly biscuits, cheeseburgers and fries are preferred by young diners, while parents can enjoy fresh seafood and a fine selection of cocktails.

99 North Main Street, East Hampton. 631-329-6666, easthamptongrill.com

JOHN PAPAS CAFE

This classic luncheonette is a scrumptious choice when you've got little diners. Enjoy a tempting variety of Belgian waffles, pancakes and omelets for breakfast. Or splurge on tasty burgers or pita pizzas for lunch.

18 Park Place, East Hampton. 631-324-5400, johnpapascafe.net

LT BURGER

A classic with Hamptons locals and visitors alike, LT Burger is especially well known for its kid appeal. With video games, gumball machines and crayons at the ready, little ones can choose from a fine selection of burgers and shakes. The eatery, located in Sag Harbor and Westhampton Beach, is open for lunch and dinner every day except Tuesday.

62 Main Street, Sag Harbor. 631-899-4646, ltburger.com

LONG ISLAND AQUARIUM

Don't miss this season's fantastic indoor exhibits that include an Amazon rainforest, birds and coral reefs. You can purchase tickets ahead of time online. There's special pricing for children and seniors.

431 East Main Street, Riverhead. 631-208-9200, longislandaquarium.com

RAILROAD MUSEUM OF LONG ISLAND

Every Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., enjoy toy trains and exhibitions at the Greenport location. Admission is $8 for adults and $4 for children ages 5–12. Kids under age 5 can visit for free.

440 Fourth Street, Greenport. 631-477-0439, rmli.org

SOUTHAMPTON ICE SKATING RINK

Brrr-ing your little athletes over to the Southampton Ice Skating rink for some serious winter fun. Check out the website for public skate sessions and reserve your spot ahead of time. The cost is $15 for adults and $12 for kiddos during the week and $20 for everyone on the weekends. You can also rent your own hockey or figure skates for $5.

668 Country Road 39, Southampton. 631-283-2158, southamptonicerink.com

THE WHARF SHOP

Parents and young folks who can't get enough of that vintage toy shop feel will relish in a trip to this Sag Harbor favorite. Collections of crafts, stuffed animals and mini-dollhouses make this a must-see for collectors and gifters.

69A Main Street, Sag Harbor. 631-725-0420, wharfshop.com

FOOD & DRINK

East End Restaurant Closings, Westhampton Dining & More

COURTESY LOBSTER ROLL AKA LUNCH

CHEF PAUL DEANGELIS

BY HARRY POWERS

We know Paul DeAngelis of **Lobster Roll aka LUNCH** makes a mean lobster roll but can the man also make a savory seafood chili? Check out his recipe and thank him later! But first, feast your eyes on these East End foodie news bites.

This Sunday, the winter version of Long Island Restaurant Week starts and will run until Sunday, January 30. Everyone loves a deal, and this award-winning promo offers a range of options from a two-course $20 prix fixe for lunch to a $25–$42 three-course prix fixe. Thus far, the following East End restaurants have signed on, and more are expected: **La Buena Vista** in Moriches, **The Cooperage Inn** in Baiting Hollow, **Union Sushi & Steak**, **Manna at the Lobster Inn** and **Southampton Publick House** in Southampton, **Calissa** in Water Mill (serving their prix fixes all night this Saturday), **Farm Country Kitchen** and **Bistro 72** in Riverhead, **Legends** in New Suffolk and **On the Docks** in Aquebogue. Go!

Harbor Bistro in East Hampton has served its last meal — the space has been purchased by its next door neighbor, EHP Resort & Marina (formerly East Hampton Point). Fear not, chef/owner Damien O'Donnell will continue to operate his food truck and be available for catering and private events.

Students aren't the only ones taking winter breaks. **Harvest on Fort Pond** in Montauk will be closed from January 18 until February 9. **Inlet Seafood**, also in Montauk, will reopen on February 17. **The Preston House & Hotel** in Riverhead is closed for winter break and will reopen on January 27.

COURTESY UNION SUSHI & STEAK

UNION SUSHI & STEAK'S LAMB CHOP, WHICH THEY'LL SERVE AS PART OF THEIR LI RESTAURANT WEEK MENU

Whether you're in Westhampton or Westhampton Beach, the quaint seaside hamlets, are always fun towns to visit, and their restaurants are enjoyable off-season haunts. **Casa Basso** crafts solid Italian cuisine and is housed in an 18th century castle. Their $27 three-course prix fixe menu is available every day except Monday, Friday and Saturday.

Eager to try an authentic Irish pub? **The Claddagh** restaurant and tap room in Westhampton Beach is just what you're looking for. Thursday is their prime rib night for $25. However, if you're looking for a family-friendly place, try Westhampton Beach's **Boom Burger**. Their diner-style burgers and wings are delicious.

If you're craving sushi, **Sushi 1** in Westhampton Beach can help you scratch that itch. They're open for walk-ins Tuesday through Sunday for dinner. Those seeking an all-American meal should stop by **Joe's American Grill**, open weekdays for dine-in and takeout.

Fun Food Fact: Australians usually grill on Christmas Day. Down under, Christmas falls right in the middle of summer. The meal is still based on traditional English and North American traditions, but to avoid the hot oven, most Australians prepare their Christmas dinner on the barbie.

Got a restaurant news item or tip? Email us at dansfoodseen@gmail.com!

HANNAH SELINGER

HARBOR BISTRO, WHICH HAS RECENTLY BEEN PURCHASED AND CLOSED

Recipe: Paul's Famous Seafood Chili by Chef Paul DeAngelis

Ingredients:

4 tbsp of olive oil
3/4 cup of diced Vidalia onions
3 large minced garlic cloves
1/2 cup of diced celery
1/2 cup of red wine
2 cups of diced tomatoes
1/2 cup of seafood stock
1 cup of red kidney beans
1 cup of cannellini beans
1 tsp each of chili powder, cumin and oregano
1/2 lb lobster cut into large pieces (claw and knuckle works best)
3/4 lb of small shrimp (if using large shrimp, make sure to dice into smaller pieces)
1/2 lb of sea scallops, cut into quarts

Directions:

1. In a large pot, add oil over medium heat.
2. Add the onions, garlic and celery, then cook while stirring for 5 minutes.
3. Add the red wine and simmer for 5 minutes.
4. Add the tomatoes and cook for 5 minutes while stirring.
5. Add the seafood stock and cook for 5 minutes.
6. Add the red beans and cannellini beans and stir gently.
7. Add the spices and stir gently.
8. Add the lobster, shrimp and sea scallops and stir gently.
9. Reduce the heat to low and simmer for 30 minutes.
10. Enjoy!

~This recipe comes to us courtesy of Lobster Roll aka LUNCH, lobsterroll.com

COURTESY LOBSTER ROLL AKA LUNCH

PAUL'S FAMOUS SEAFOOD CHILI

SUNDAY FUNDAYS

NFL Football All Day - $21 Miler High Life Pitchers
Special Football Snack Menu available all day!
Weekly Beer Flights / Cocktail Specials / Raffles

$5 Kids Meals All Night
for kids under 10 years old and with the purchase of an adult entree

MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL

$21 Pitchers of Miller High Life
Football Snack Menu available after 8 pm
Weekly Beer Flights / Cocktail Specials / Raffles

TACO TUESDAYS

featuring half price tacos all day & half price margaritas!

WEDNESDAYS

Famous $5 Burger Night! Special starts at 6 pm.

COOP THURSDAYS

$5 OFF All Coop Chicken Entrees!

THE COOP Southampton

THURSDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL

$21 Miller High Life Pitchers
Special Football Snack Menu available after 8 pm
Weekly Beer Flights / Cocktail Specials / Raffles

WEEKDAY SPECIALS

SPECIALS ARE AVAILABLE IN HOUSE ONLY

HAPPY HOUR

$6 Beer / $8 Wine / $10 Mixed Drinks!
Available Monday - Friday from 3 - 6 pm!

LUNCH SPECIAL

5 oz American Cheeseburger with Lettuce & Tomato on a Martins Potato Roll
and served with choice of fresh hand cut fries or a side salad.
Available Monday - Friday from 11:30 am - 3 pm!

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DAN'S TASTE: FOOD & DRINK

Something to Wine About:

2020 Peconic Bay Chardonnay

BY LINDA DELMONICO PRUSSEN

We may be past the season of big holiday parties, but the wines we need when entertaining even a single house guest, still need to be crowd pleasers. The 2020 Peconic Bay Vineyards Chardonnay is the perfect wine to pair with a countless number of dishes as well as to satisfy numerous and varying palates.

It's clean and fresh, just as one would expect a stainless steel chardonnay to be. It has a balanced acidity and a pleasing crispness, but it doesn't have — which some stainless steel chardonnays unfortunately fall prey to — an assaulting and aggressive acidic finish. The finish of the 2020 Peconic Bay Chardonnay is clean with a lovely minerality.

Long Island chardonnays can be dominated by granny smith apple notes. This chardonnay, while green apple notes are present, is layered with so many other beautiful flavors. According to Peconic Bay winemaker Greg Gove, the vines are 41 years old. If ever there was an example of old vines making spectacular wines, this is it.

Gove adds that the majority of it is from the musqué clone, which produces highly fragrant aromas with some lovely floral notes. On the palate, one is also treated to notes of pear and citrus. Gove says of 2020, "It was a challenging year with more rain in July than all of last year."

If this is what a challenging year tastes like, one can only imagine how delicious a good year will taste.

For pairings, think appetizers, seafood, turkey, ham and all the veggies that might be served on the side. Chardonnay lovers should be pleased by this wine, and those who might shy away from chardonnay, because of being primarily exposed to over-oaked examples, may find this interpretation of chardonnay surprisingly approachable.

The 2020 Peconic Bay Chardonnay retails for $25.

To learn more about Peconic Bay Vineyards, visit peconicbayvineyards.com.

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Enjoy our signature cocktails, and a fine selection of local, California and European wines, and spirits.

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EAST END LIVING

Ask Beatty:

New Year's Self-Assessment

BY BEATTY COHAN, MSW, LCSW, AASECT

Every year, most of us schedule appointments with our physician and dentist to make sure that our bodies and teeth are strong and healthy. Doesn't our mental health merit the same attention? Although an annual psychological checkup may not be feasible for everyone, we can still do much to ensure emotional and mental wellbeing.

The following is a list of wide-ranging questions that can provide you with a framework in which to assess how well (or how badly) you are doing. Your answers will provide you with an opportunity to probe, reflect and grow. Your responses are for you alone, so feel free to dig deep and answer each section honestly. This is not the time or place to try fooling yourself. Remember — there are no perfect scores!

HOW ARE YOU DOING?

1. MENTAL HEALTH: Are you generally happy with life, your relationships and the general direction that you're going? Overall, have you experienced a period of depression that has lasted longer than two weeks or that has negatively affected your work or relationships? If you are experiencing symptoms of depression or anxiety or suicidal thoughts or gestures, are you willing to reach out and ask for help?

2. RELATIONSHIPS: Do you have people in your life who you really care about and who you can depend on? Are your relationships with your significant other, children, family and friends largely positive?

3. PROFESSIONAL & FINANCIAL STABILITY: Do you enjoy your work and find it mostly interesting and fulfilling? Do you find your workplace (even working from home) stimulating and supportive? How do you get along with your colleagues? How are your finances? Are you financially responsible, with little debt? Do you feel panicked about your financial situation? Do you spend money recklessly?

4. EMOTIONAL COMMUNICATION & PROBLEM-SOLVING: Are you able to constructively express emotions including: love, fear, disappointment, anger, sadness and jealousy? Are you willing and able to acknowledge, address and resolve issues when they arise?

5. SUBSTANCE ABUSE: Are you concerned with any alcohol or prescription use or abuse? Have you suffered any negative repercussions or relationship difficulties as a result of your possible substance abuse? You might want to ask a close friend or partner to corroborate your own thoughts and feelings about this. Their answers could give you some much needed objectivity.

6. PHYSICAL HEALTH: These are difficult times to try and stay in shape. How is your physical health generally? Are you basically in good health and have you had a complete physical, including blood work, within the last year? Do you follow your doctor's advice and take your medications as prescribed? Do you have an exercise protocol? Do you walk at least 30 minutes most days, and usually eat a healthy and well-balanced diet?

7. SLEEP: How are your sleeping patterns? Do you have difficulty falling or staying asleep? Are you getting at least 7–8 hours of restful sleep most nights?

8. SEX, SEXUAL ORIENTATION & GENDER: Are you mostly satisfied with the quantity and quality of your sex life? If not, why not? Are you living an authentic life in terms of your gender and sexual orientation?

9. SELF-CARE: Do you take good care of yourself physically, mentally and spiritually? Do you feel that you are living a life of purpose and spiritual satisfaction? Do you know how to relax and enjoy the beauty of life and nature around you? Do you try and surround yourself with loving and supportive people who help you appreciate the joy and mystery of life? Have you learned to not engage with toxic people, including family and friends, who hinder you in living a contented and balanced life? Are your electronic devices interfering with the quality of your life and your relationships?

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TAKE A MOMENT TO EXAMINE YOUR MENTAL HEALTH, RELATIONSHIPS, SLEEP AND OTHER FACTORS THAT MAY AFFECT YOUR WELLBEING.

10. GOALS: Do you have clarity about your goals? Do you believe that they are realistic and achievable? Even though you have yet to fully achieve them, do you feel that you're on the right path to eventually reach them?

ARE YOU READY TO MAKE SOME CHANGES IN YOUR LIFE AND RELATIONSHIPS, AND TO CREATE THE LIFE THAT YOU WANT?

You've just asked yourself some really tough questions. Now it's time to review your answers in each of the 10 categories. Hopefully, you are on the right track. On the other hand, you may discover that you are on a path that is causing you great distress and pain in your life. We all know that it's often very difficult to be fully truthful with ourselves. Yet it is our avoidance, denial, blame, self-blame and defensiveness that keep us in a downward spiral. It takes a lot of courage to be willing to acknowledge, address and resolve (as best as we can) the things that continue to get in the way of our lives and relationships. And yet, if we refuse to step up to the plate and confront our demons (old and new), it becomes increasingly more difficult to fully enjoy our life.

SO WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO?

Here's hoping that you will have the courage for the new year to do the necessary work to change your life in wonderful ways that you never thought would be possible. The choice is yours. Make it a good one. And remember — you don't need to navigate life's challenges on your own. Commit to making 2022 the best year yet!

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Giving Legend:

Jean Shafiroff Devotes Her Life to Philanthropy

BY BERNADETTE STARZEE

Few people dedicate themselves to philanthropy like Jean Shafiroff, an author, TV show host and humanitarian who is one of Palm Beach County's newest homeowners.

Shafiroff currently serves on nine charitable boards and chairs several annual galas and other fundraisers. She has been honored by dozens of organizations and is widely recognized as an authority on philanthropy. Her contributions include helping other philanthropists spread the word about their important causes on her TV show, *Successful Philanthropy*. The TV show is an offshoot of Shafiroff's 2016 book, *Successful Philanthropy: How to Make a Life by What You Give*, which serves as a practical guide to modern giving.

"The whole concept of my book is that anyone can be a philanthropist, even if they don't have money," Shafiroff says. "You can give your time and knowledge. Our country is based on this principle. A lot of people have told me my book inspired them to become more philanthropic, and that means a lot to me."

The book's introduction was written by Georgina Bloomberg, daughter of businessman, philanthropist and 2020 presidential candidate Mike Bloomberg.

"Georgina comes from a family that is very involved in service and giving back, and she represents the next generation of philanthropists — a group I believe is really important to cultivate," Shafiroff says.

Many charitable organizations and the people they serve have faced unprecedented challenges over the past two years.

"This has been an extraordinarily difficult time in history, and it's very important that we all do what we can," she says. Fundraising has decreased because of the pandemic, threatening the survival of many organizations. Many animal shelters across the country, for instance, have struggled to keep their doors open. As a national spokesperson for American Humane's Feed The Hungry campaign, board member, donor and fundraiser for the group, Shafiroff helped the charity reach its goal of raising $1 million to feed a million shelter animals through the Feed the Hungry COVID-19 program.

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In addition to American Humane, Shafiroff currently serves on the boards of the Southampton Hospital Association, New York City Mission Society, New York Women's Foundation, Casita Maria, French Heritage Society, Couture Council of the Museum at FIT (Fashion Institute of Technology) and Global Strays, an international charity founded by one of her two daughters. She is also an honorary board member of the Southampton Animal Shelter Foundation and an honorary trustee of the Jewish Board, where she previously served for 28 years as a board member. "I am Catholic, but I love this organization and the work they do," she says.

Her other philanthropic activities include hosting cocktail party fundraisers in her home and chairing or co-chairing about eight or nine galas each year for various charities. Chairing an event carries multiple responsibilities, from fundraising to drumming up interest.

"Usually, a chair purchases a table, sells tables and tickets, brings in sponsors, gets involved in the planning process, helps to form a host committee and creates excitement about an event," she explains.

Low overhead is a key to a good charity fundraiser, she adds. "There are exceptions, but generally, overhead should not be more than a third of all the money that's brought in."

Shafiroff believes that part of her mission as a philanthropist is to give other people a platform to talk about the work they do. On her TV show, which airs in the Hamptons and New York City, she has given voice to a variety of causes through her interviews with close to 100 philanthropists, celebrities and politicians, including Ndaba Mandela, Nelson Mandela's grandson and founder of the Mandela Institute for Humanity; Kerry Kennedy, president of Robert F. Kennedy Human Rights, an advocacy organization; actress and model Carol Alt, who discussed her work with animal charities; and actor and philanthropist Tony Danza.

"My TV show is designed to inspire and motivate others to get involved in philanthropy, and I plan to grow it and try to make it national," says Shafiroff, who is also nearing completion on a second book, with an expected release date in 2022.

During the lockdown in 2020, Shafiroff recorded some of her TV show episodes remotely from the Palm Beach area, where she and her husband, Martin Shafiroff, spent three months. Martin is vice chairman of Stifel, an investment firm.

Now that they own a home in the area, the Shafiroffs plan to spend more and more time in Palm Beach in the months and years ahead.

"Palm Beach is a very beautiful and friendly place, and it's a very philanthropic community," Shafiroff continues. "We have supported a number of Palm Beach causes and, as we spend more time in Palm Beach, I will get more and more involved in local charities. I am excited about getting more involved, but because I am very involved with many charities already, I want to add judiciously — serving on nine boards is a lot of work."

Shafiroff says she feels "blessed" to be able to do all the philanthropic work that she does.

"I feel that since I am able to do it, I have a responsibility to do it," she adds.

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2. **Eat more whole foods:** Many people attempt a New Year's resolution of "no junk food," but completely cutting out processed foods, excess sugar and other foods isn't realistic- nor is it the true path to healthy living. Instead, make a resolution to incorporate more fresh (organic) whole foods into your diet. Fresh and whole foods can help stabilize your mood, reduce brain fog, and improve concentration, which will help you mentally and make it easier for you to do the things you love – feeding your soul in the process. Focus on fluids that are rich in electrolytes, vitamins, and minerals; examples include herbal teas and Kombucha.

3. **Make time for meditation:** Meditation can create multi-faceted improvements in your life. It's a perfect reminder that the mental affects the physical, and the physical affects the mental. It can help you relieve daily stress, provide peace from anxiety, and even bolster your immune system. Meditation is a holistically beneficial activity, and it's easily buildable. Start small in the first few weeks and gradually add more time into your sessions.

4. **Sleep more and more easily:** Sleep improves overall physical, mental, and spiritual well-being. It helps our bodies heal and stay strong to fight illness, aides in stress relief, keeps our moods high, helps us to concentrate and much, much more. 70% of healing occurs while we sleep! If you aren't sleeping well improving your sleep health should be one of your main priorities.

5. **Take a probiotic:** Gut health is essential and is another example of how the body and mind work synergistically and are much more connected than we think. The bacteria that reside in your colon can have beneficial effects, but also have negative effects, and both kinds affect not only physical health, but also mental health. Adding a daily probiotic to your routine can make a world of difference for your overall health and well-being by keeping your body and mind in balance and harmful pathogens at bay.

6. **Reassess your fitness goal:** Life happens, so be flexible. If your current activities aren't working, reassess your goals by looking at what's healthy and reasonable for your specific needs. When it comes to our fitness, your priorities and goals will vary depending on age, gender, and other health conditions. The intensity, pace and type of exercise that worked for you in your 20s or 30s may no longer be effective. Start by setting a goal of 150 minutes for the week to build consistency. If 22 minutes of activity per day isn't doable then maybe 30 minutes every other day is fine as long as you keep moving during the week. Alternating cardio and strength training with yoga will help you find the right balance.

7. **Control stress:** Nurture with Nature. Take a long walk and watch as its relaxing and immune boosting properties help with brain fog and restores your spirit. Enjoy the forests and landscapes of the season near a window, or in front of the fireplace with a cozy blanket and a healthy beverage. Depending on the season and where you live, you may want to try forest bathing or a winter hike like cross country skiing, bird watching or even build a snowman with your kids!

8. **Keep a positive attitude:** Surround yourself with positive people. Don't get dragged down by someone else's negative outlook or emotions. A positive outlook keeps you energized and ready to tackle life's challenges, while a negative one will only deplete your physical and mental strength. Positive and optimistic people tend to be more physically active and follow a healthier lifestyle. After a bold, ambitious start to the New Year there may be many reasons to get sidetracked on the road to your healthy lifestyle. The great news is that by trying these strategies, you can get back on track to reach your goals naturally.

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Isaac Boots:
Celebrity Fitness Trainer Brings Torch'd from the Hamptons to The Colony Hotel

BY ANGELA LAGRECA

While the steady beat of a Madonna mix pulsates in the background, Isaac Boots is on his headset, working and weaving around legs and arms and sweaty brows as he puts his Torch'd fitness class of (mostly) women through their paces:

"Give me four, three ... switch legs, straight pulse — here we go, go up! Beautiful — point your toes ... yes ... eight more like that, lift that ass, Missy, yes baby, higher ... tighter ... Work, Lenore! C'mon, Sabrina! Give me four more ... do NOT even contemplate dropping. We circle 'round ... here we go! Woo! That's right — you all look goooooood ..."

Boots is having quite a year. After a successful summer residency in the Hamptons where he taught his intense Torch'd classes at the Children's Museum of the East End (CMEE) and held buzzy events and classes at his Torch'd Shoppe in Wainscott, he is now happily ensconced at The Colony Hotel in Palm Beach — kicking off 2022 with a residency that finds him holding classes on the lush lawn of the iconic hotel's East Garden.

From the looks of social media postings and to hear Boots tell it, Torch'd is hot in Palm Beach.

"It's over sold, it's over packed, people traveling from Germany and all over the country, Sarasota, California — it's insane," Boots gushes excitedly, via telephone from The Colony, where he says he is "like a permanent fixture," along with his husband Jeffrey O'Brecht and their Instagram-popular poodle, Davis.

A Broadway dancer-turned celebrity trainer, Boots has worked with or trained an impressive roster of celebrities, including Kelly Ripa, Gwyneth Paltrow, Lisa Rinna, Jessica Chastain, Brooke Shields, Hugh Jackman and Ariana Grande. Even more impressive is the fact that he has raised millions for worthy charities — most recently this past summer during his Hamptons residency, when his classes at CMEE raised funds for seven local children's charities.

His "Boots to the ground" global community of followers and devotees known as "Boots Babies" has grown exponentially since he started streaming free Instagram live classes every day at 11 a.m. when the pandemic first hit. He's still at it.

And while his followers throughout the world are getting Torch'd and making connections and friends online, they are also, upon Boots' encouragement, donating to No Kid Hungry, a charity Boots is passionate about.

"Torch'd is not just a workout," emphasizes Boots, "I never really thought that ... it's more of a connection and, of course, a tangible, beautiful thing we have done is raise over $2 million for the underdogs, for the kids who, for them, food is scarce." He adds, "I don't think that food is a luxury and I think it's a very scary thing — it still is throughout the entire world, including our country."

It's a cause that hits home for Boots, who grew up very poor, on food stamps, in a small town in Hawaii. So while he is sitting poolside at Swifty's having lunch with Jeffrey and friends, looking chic in Gucci or in threads by Michael Kors from the new pop-up shop at The Colony, he seems to keep it all in perspective.

"I can never forget who I am and where I come from," he says. "I know it's a blessing and privilege to be able to live the life that I live, and I'm aware of that every day, so every day I give an incentive — to give away my workout and hopefully keep that thread of community so we can continue to have people, instead of paying me for that hour, throw it in to feed a kid."

This is Boots' first visit to Palm Beach, but it sounds like it was simply a matter of time, or destiny, before he was working under the palms.

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"During the summer in the Hamptons, everyone, *everyone* I came in contact with — friends, clients who would have visited the Torch'd Shoppe — would say, 'You need to be in Palm Beach in the wintertime — because everyone is there,'" explains Boots.

"Most of my Hamptons people are there and a lot of my LA people are there, too. I was getting DMs from my followers in Toronto and Montreal, and there is a big Canadian faction that has houses in Palm Beach, as well, saying, 'Please, please, please ... we weren't able to come to the Hamptons this summer, go to Palm Beach.' And everyone kept saying, 'The Colony, The Colony, The Colony.'"

Meanwhile, The Colony's president and CEO Sarah Wetenhall was hearing a lot about Isaac Boots.

"We actually have so many mutual friends who at the same time were bombarding Sarah saying, 'Isaac Boots needs to be at The Colony,'" explains Boots. "We ran into each other at the FIT Couture Awards a couple of months ago and she was like, 'Isaac, OK, we need to talk because everyone, *everyone*, including Hollis Forbes this morning is telling me that Torch'd needs to be at The Colony.'"

The fit is mutual, and a virtual honeymoon of sorts for Boots and O'Brecht, who traveled to the Sunshine State on the heels of getting married in late December at The Carlyle hotel in Manhattan.

"Kelly Ripa married us and Faye Dunaway was our matron of honor," says

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ISAAC AND JEFFERY WITH KELLY RIPA AND ISAAC'S SISTER NATAYSHA

Boots with a warm smile in his voice. "It was 10 of our closest friends, and it was beautiful and sacred and intimate — we had lots of bottles of Champagne and pizza." [laughs]

The couple spent what Boots describes as a "magical" New Year's Eve at The Colony with friends who visited and who didn't want to leave.

"The staff here is amazing. ... Wetenhall is a genius," says Boots. "She turns this iconic hotel into something that just feels like home."

You don't have to tell that to the playful Davis, who is never far from Boots' side and who, from the looks of Instagram, has taken to the residency well ... like any poodle would to Palm Beach.

"He has settled into The Colony as if he never wants to leave," jokes Boots. "What's so great is at the restaurant at The Colony, Swifty's — we are there every day — they set a table and bring a chair for Davis to sit on. They bring him his own bowl of water, his little cookie, and it is so, so sweet ... not everyone welcomes dogs like The Colony does."

What does Boots think of Palm Beach and his current residency?

"All the people who are taking a class are just so sweet and excited, and the weather is beautiful. Palm Beach is idyllic, it's like heaven, and I feel very lucky and very blessed that the community, not only at The Colony but the encounters I have had in Palm Beach thus far, have been very beautiful."

After conducting his morning class at 9:30 a.m. and then his 11 a.m. Instagram livestream, the rest of the day is a full one: personal training sessions, taking care of business and socializing. He and O'Brecht ("Jefferita") do lunch daily at The Colony, and Boots admits to doing some damage at the high-end shops on Worth Avenue. Boots loves "anything on Worth" and says, "There is also a great pizza placed called Al Fresco — it's fabulous!" He says he also loves Le Bilboquet for dinner, but often has dinners at friends' homes in Palm Beach.

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ISAAC, JEFFERY AND DAVIS WITH FAYE DUNAWAY AT THEIR WEDDING

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ISAAC BOOTS IN FRONT OF DE GOURNAY WALLPAPER AT THE COLONY HOTEL

When you ask him why he thinks Torch'd has taken off and become so popular, he is quick to answer:

"Because quickly people realize their ass looks amazing!" [we laugh, but he's not joking]. Then he gets down to it, reiterating a word he uses often: connection.

"Aside from that ... it is about connection. I like to see people, I like to talk to people. I'm not interested in how much you make or what your accomplishments are. I have gratitude for anyone who logs on, who shows up to my events, to anyone who buys any of my merch or donates to any of the causes."

Speaking of merchandise, Boots has just launched his new Torch'd Kilogear CUT workout weights, which he says are "doctor-approved and science-engineered weights for your arms and your legs."

Even more appropriate, the new weights are in Palm Beach pink.

"It's really chic and it's inspired by The Colony — the 'Pink Paradise' as they call it. And what's really great is that standing anywhere in the hotel, I match the de Gournay wallpaper, which I'm really into because I love a theme," he says with his signature energy and spark, adding, "I am a gay man of a certain age, okay?" [laughs]

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TORCH'D CLASS AT THE COLONY

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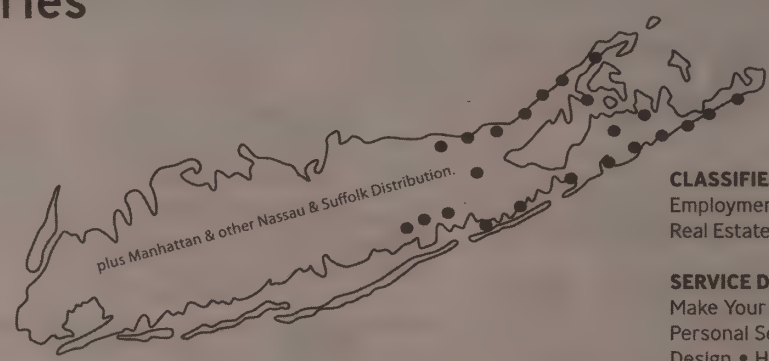

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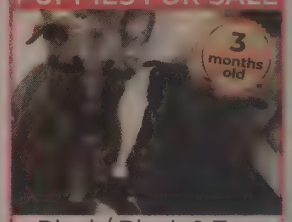

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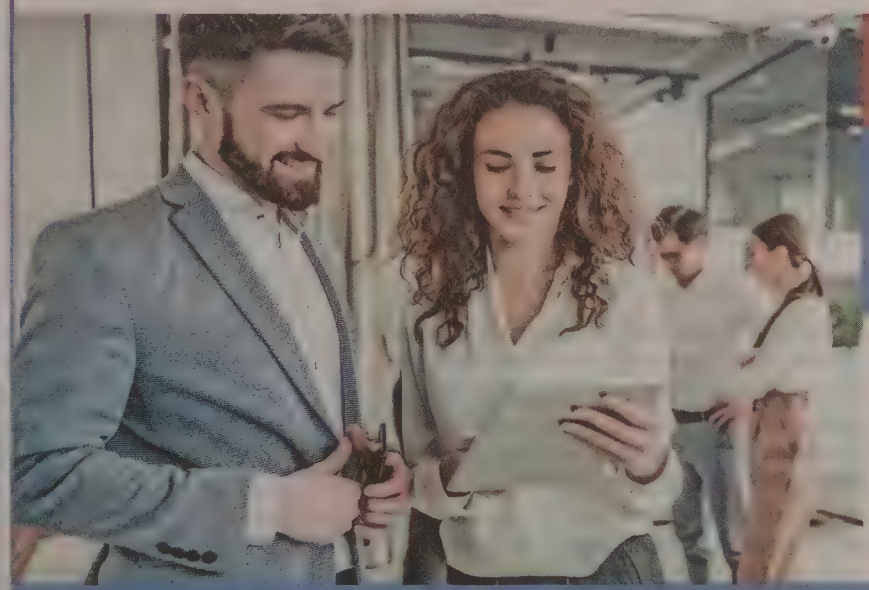

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She started her career as an on-air personality and correspondent in New York, as an ambitious journalist with a nose for a news story. Her influence only grew at the network, where she would one day anchor the top-rated New York City morning program, *Today in New York*, among other shows.

"I moved to New York from the Midwest to enter the New York journalism industry," Hanson says. "One of the first stories I was sent to was horse rustling on Staten Island and I caught myself asking, 'Aren't I in the big city?' But, from then on, it was scrappy reporting.... including being the first person on the air on September 11 — going on the air, really, without knowing anything.

"Every single day was like watching history being made because New York is the number one market in the country. The people that I interviewed were some of the most important figures in the world," she continues. "You never knew what the next day was going to bring, and that was crucial to understand and always be at the top of your game."

Throughout her career, Hanson's reporting won the acclaim of the viewers and her peers alike. She won nine Emmy Awards for her work, one of the four major industry awards given for merit in journalism and reporting. She was also named the Correspondent of the Year by the New York Police Detectives, with a similar honor from the Fire Department of New York. Hanson also won various community awards, given to her from viewers who depended on her reporting every day.

"It's wonderful to be recognized for your work and an honor to be recognized by your peers with the Emmys," she says. "It is also, though, just as cool to be recognized by the community. The life of being a television news reporter is the conduit between the story and the viewers when you play this role, there is a big responsibility and an obligation to give back.

"It's especially significant, to me, and I am very grateful to have received these recognitions," she says.

Hanson recently traded the cold and winter weather in Westhampton for warm Palm Beach. Like many of us on the East End, though, who are temporary residents of Florida's coastal communities, Hanson is still committed to making a difference.

And, while she may be off-air, she continues to have her hands in the business that made her a household name.

"First of all, I love the media, and I love helping people find their best selves — to be the best person they can be on any media platform, as well as in front of any audience," Hanson says, adding, "It is great for me to do this work — it is something that I love."

She is now the successful owner of a media and presentation training company, where she helps people tell their stories and become more acclimated to the demands of any audience — whether speaking to a television prompter or making a speech before a crowd. Her diverse array of experience in journalism, and understanding of what the reporters, anchors, producers and viewers are looking for in a segment, has helped major business leaders, financiers, tech execs, fashion icons — even aspiring media personalities — become more comfortable presenting who they are, their ideas and perspectives.

"One of the most important things is really figuring out what their message is," she says. "They'll walk in the door with five messages, and the audience will never remember. You're lucky if an audience remembers one or two of them. The second most important aspect is body language, and ensuring that your body language is in sync with your words, which I have found helps people resonate well when making a presentation or a media appearance."

Hanson hopes her experiences can help others learn, avoid missteps and build their presence to purvey their message effectively. After thousands of hard-hitting on-air interviews, she is able to help others learn not only what to say, but how to say it, and she offers simple solutions to help people communicate more effectively.

And, while a majority of her time these days is spent as someone who helps others hone their message, her presence is not completely gone from the press side — as she frequently contributes to Forbes Digital, offering expert opinion as a communications coach, with thoughts to share.

"I like telling stories. I hope that what people learn from me is to find the courage to speak effectively, to dare to take the risks, to put themselves out there, because great communication is the epicenter of building a better life for yourself — personally, professionally and really every aspect of life," Hanson says.

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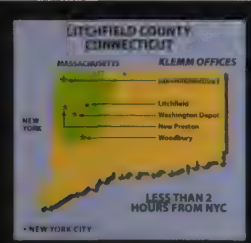

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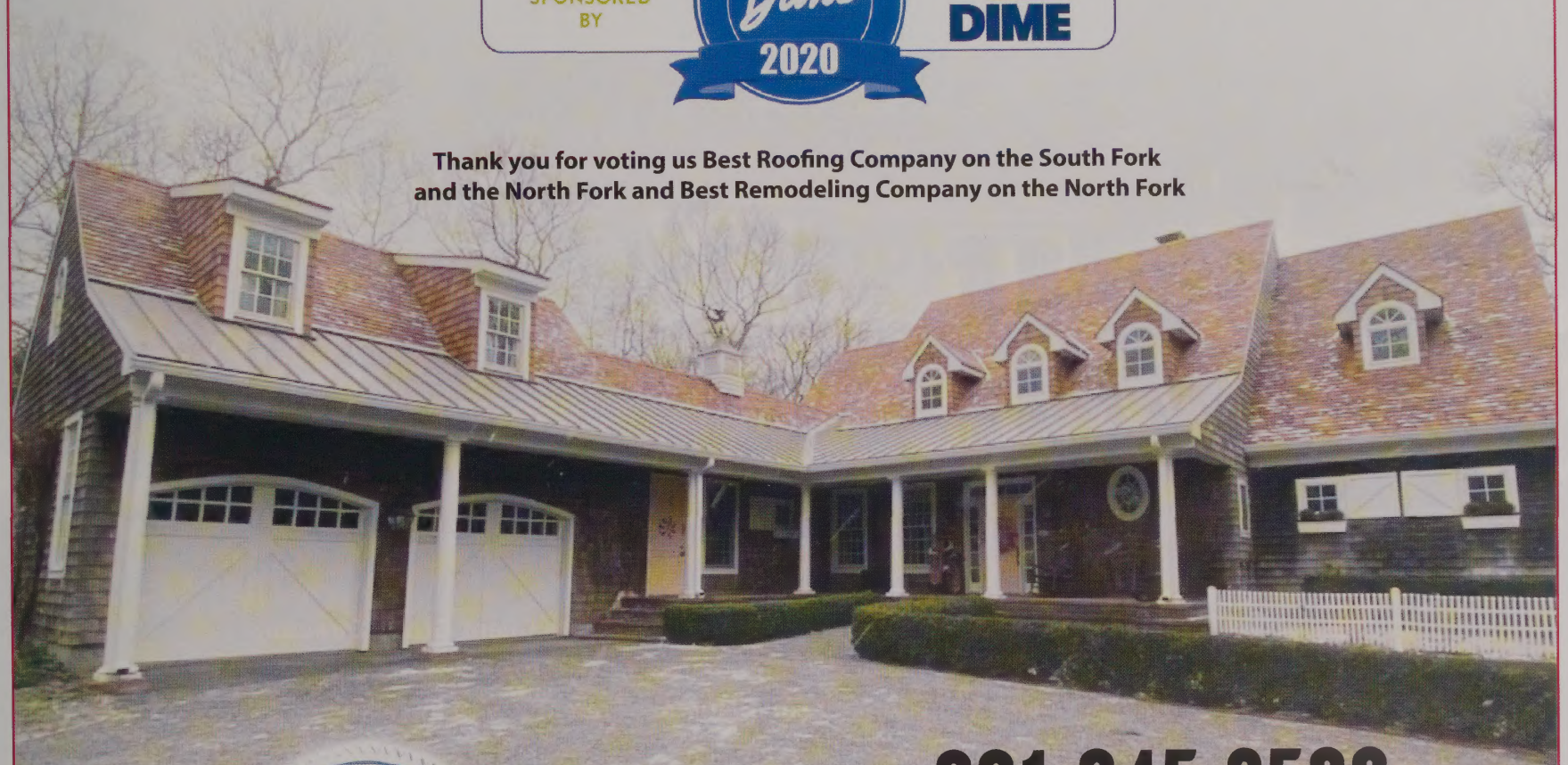

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